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1798-1875**Dreher Families - Württemberg, Germany to Vigo Co., Indiana**

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Descendant Register, Generation No. 1

1. **John BRIGGS, JR.** (John BRIGGS¹) was born 1798 in England, and died 1 Nov 1875 in Parke Co., IN. He was buried in Coxville Cemetery. He married **Jemima ARMSTRONG** 22 Feb 1848 in Parke Co., IN. She was born 1814 in Augusta Co., VA. He married **Sally MOUNTS** 13 May 1830 in Vigo Co., IN. She was born abt 1810 in Indiana, and died abt 1847 in Parke Co., IN.

Children of John BRIGGS, JR. and Jemima ARMSTRONG are:

- + 2 i. **William A. BRIGGS** was born Nov 1849 in Parke Co., IN, and died 1926 in Vermillion Co., IN.
- + 3 ii. **Eva BRIGGS** was born 6 Jun 1853 in Parke Co., IN, and died 17 Feb 1939 in Vigo Co., IN.

Children of John BRIGGS, JR. and Sally MOUNTS are:

- 4 i. **Hamilton BRIGGS** was born 1833 in Parke Co., IN, and died 23 Jan 1916 in Parke Co., IN.
- + 5 ii. **Cynthia A. BRIGGS** was born 1842 in Parke Co., IN, and died 28 May 1867 in Parke Co., IN.
- 6 iii. **Jane "Jennie" BRIGGS** was born Feb 1843 in Parke Co., IN, and died 22 Feb 1916 in Terre Haute, IN. She married **George HESLER** 4 Jan 1866 in Parke Co., IN, son of William HESLER and Sarah UNKNOWN. He was born Sep 1842 in Ohio, and died 11 Apr 1907 in Terre Haute, IN.
- + 7 iv. **Mariah BRIGGS** was born Mar 1847 in Parke Co., IN, and died bef 1910 in Kansas.

Descendant Register, Generation No. 2

2. **William A. BRIGGS** (John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born Nov 1849 in Parke Co., IN, and died 1926 in Vermillion Co., IN. He was buried in Shepherd Cemetery. He married **Sadie Bell PROPST** 6 Sep 1883 in Edgar Co., IL, daughter of Isaac PROPST and Elizabeth J. KOONCE. She was born Sep 1865 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 1946 in Vermillion Co., IN. She was buried in Shepherd Cemetery.

Children of William A. BRIGGS and Sadie Bell PROPST are:

- 8 i. **Orville Perry BRIGGS** was born 23 Jun 1884 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 29 Nov 1957 in Rockville, IN. He married **Frances E. LANEY** 1925 in Parke Co., IN, daughter of George L. LANEY and Rosana PARKER. She was born 1891 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 17 Jul 1960 in Vermillion Co., IN.
 - 9 ii. **Joseph BRIGGS** was born Oct 1885 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 21 Feb 1911 in Parke Co., IN.
 - + 10 iii. **Ovia BRIGGS** was born Nov 1887 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died aft 1957 in Ohio.
 - 11 iv. **Velia E. "Verley" BRIGGS** was born Dec 1889 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 29 Aug 1906 in Parke Co., IN.
 - 12 v. **Effie May BRIGGS** was born Mar 21 1891 in Clinton, IN, and died aft 1957. She married **John P. ELLIS** 26 Aug 1914 in Vigo Co., IN, son of William ELLIS and Emily SKINNER. He was born 1 Aug 1893 in Clinton, IN.
 - 13 vi. **Alma Love BRIGGS** was born 17 Jun 1897 in Clinton, IN, and died aft 1957. She married **Clarence U. SHIPLEY** 2 Nov 1920 in Vigo Co., IN, son of Edward P. SHIPLEY and America HUGHES. He was born 27 Jun 1896 in Seelyville, IN, and died 26 Feb 1969 in Vigo Co., IN.
3. **Eva BRIGGS** (John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 6 Jun 1853 in Parke Co., IN, and died 17 Feb 1939 in Vigo Co., IN. She married **UNKNOWN 1 UNKNOWN**. She married **Williamson W. PUGH** 16 Nov 1883 in Vigo Co., IN. He was born 25 Aug 1854 in Franklin Co., IN, and died 17 Mar 1933 in Vigo Co., IN.

Names in orange are
direct line descendants
of John Briggs, Jr. and
2nd wife Jemima
Armstrong (my great
great grandmother).
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Child of Eva BRIGGS and UNKNOWN 1 UNKNOWN is:

- + 14 i. [Guy Horace BRIGGS](#) was born 9 Oct 1874 in Vigo Co., IN, and died 2 May 1956 in Clinton, IN.

Children of Eva BRIGGS and Williamson W. PUGH are:

- 15 i. [Ethyl PUGH](#) was born 1887 in Fayette Twp, Vigo Co., IN, and died in infancy in Fayette Twp., Vigo Co., IN.
+ 16 ii. [Hazel Frances PUGH](#) was born 23 Feb 1888 in Fayette Twp, Vigo Co., IN, and died 22 Dec 1987 in Clinton, IN.

5. [Cynthia A. BRIGGS](#) (John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 1842 in Parke Co., IN, and died 28 May 1867 in Parke Co., IN. She was buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. She married [John W. LEWIS](#) 19 Feb 1863 in Parke Co., IN, son of Isaac LEWIS and Margaret SHOEMAKER. He was born 10 Nov 1837 in Parke Co., IN, and died 1882 in Parke Co., IN. He was buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

Child of Cynthia A. BRIGGS and John W. LEWIS is:

- + 17 i. [David Wallace LEWIS](#) was born 24 May 1864 in Illinois, and died 1913 in Vigo Co., IN.

7. [Mariah BRIGGS](#) (John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born Mar 1847 in Parke Co., IN, and died bef 1910 in Kansas. She married [George JUSTICE](#) 16 Jul 1869 in Parke Co., IN, son of Hiram JUSTICE and Sarah UNKNOWN. He was born 1850 in Indiana, and died bef 1900 in Kansas.

Children of Mariah BRIGGS and George JUSTICE are:

- 18 i. [Maude JUSTICE](#) was born 1870 in Parke Co., IN.
19 ii. [Daisy JUSTICE](#) was born 1875 in Parke Co., IN.
20 iii. [George H. JUSTICE](#) was born Jun 1878 in Texas.
21 iv. [William O. JUSTICE](#) was born Jan 1881 in Kansas.
22 v. [Emily A. JUSTICE](#) was born Apr 1883 in Kansas.

Descendant Register, Generation No. 3

10. [Ovia BRIGGS](#) (William A. BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born Nov 1887 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died aft 1957 in Ohio. She married [Evan LEWIS](#) 8 Aug 1907 in Vermillion Co., IN, son of David J. LEWIS and Mary UNKNOWN. He was born abt 1878 in Wales, and died bef 1920 in Stark Co., OH. She married [Charles TENANT](#) abt 1924 in Stark Co., OH, son of Myron G. TENANT and Josephine UNKNOWN. He was born abt 1897 in West Virginia.

Children of Ovia BRIGGS and Evan LEWIS are:

- 23 i. [Laura LEWIS](#) was born 1909 in Stark Co., OH.
24 ii. [Mary Belle LEWIS](#) was born 1910 in Stark Co., OH.
25 iii. [Dorothy LEWIS](#) was born 1914 in Stark Co., OH.
26 iv. [Evan LEWIS](#) was born 1916 in Stark Co., OH.
27 v. [Isabelle LEWIS](#) was born 1918 in Stark Co., OH.

14. [Guy Horace BRIGGS](#) (Eva BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 9 Oct 1874 in Vigo Co., IN, and died 2 May 1956 in Clinton, IN. He married [Thursa Ellen REEDER](#) 15 Dec 1895 in Vermillion Co., IN. She was born 7 Oct 1872 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 4 Jul 1953 in Clinton, IN.

Children of Guy Horace BRIGGS and Thursa Ellen REEDER are:

- 28 i. [Ray H. BRIGGS](#) was born 1902 in Clinton, IN, and died 3 Jan 1939 in Indianapolis, IN. He married [Myra ALLISON](#) abt 1930 in Indiana.

- 29 ii. [Ruth Marie BRIGGS](#) was born 25 Feb 1906 in Clinton, IN, and died May 1993 in Clinton, IN. She married [Wakefield GERRISH](#) abt 1930 in Vermillion Co., IN. He was born 29 Mar 1906 in Clinton, IN, and died Apr 1978 in Clinton, IN.

16. [Hazel Frances PUGH](#) (Eva BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 23 Feb 1888 in Fayette Twp, Vigo Co., IN, and died 22 Dec 1987 in Clinton, IN. She married [Francis Lorin WRIGHT](#) abt 1907 in Vigo Co., IN, son of Levy F. WRIGHT and Lucy J. CLARK. He was born Sep 1886 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 18 Feb 1960 in Clinton, IN.

Children of Hazel Frances PUGH and Francis Lorin WRIGHT are:

- 30 i. [Lucy WRIGHT](#) was born Oct 1908 in Vermillion Co., IN. She married [Ben WELSH](#).
31 ii. [Raymond WRIGHT](#) was born 1914 in Vermillion Co., IN.
32 iii. [Levi Williamson WRIGHT](#) was born 1921 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 1922 in Vermillion Co., IN.
33 iv. [Gay Lee WRIGHT](#) was born 10 Dec 1929 in Vermillion Co., IN, and died 10 Dec 2002 in Terre Haute, IN. She married [UNKNOWN ORNDORFF](#).

17. [David Wallace LEWIS](#) (Cynthia A. BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 24 May 1864 in Illinois, and died 1913 in Vigo Co., IN. He was buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. He married [Mary F. USSELMAN](#) 1885 in Parke Co., IN. She was born Sep 1867 in Parke Co., IN.

Children of David Wallace LEWIS and Mary F. USSELMAN are:

- 34 i. [Otis Wesley LEWIS](#) was born 29 Dec 1886 in Rockville, IN, and died 16 Nov 1969 in Vigo Co., IN.
35 ii. [Effie LEWIS](#) was born Dec 1888 in Parke Co., IN.
36 iii. [Seth Maxwell LEWIS](#) was born 22 Sep 1890 in Parke Co., IN, and died 21 Apr 1929 in Vigo Co., IN.
+ 37 iv. [Leland Sanford LEWIS](#) was born 11 May 1893 in Rockville, IN, and died 9 Feb 1977 in Vigo Co., IN.

Descendant Register, Generation No. 4

37. [Leland Sanford LEWIS](#) (David Wallace LEWIS⁴, Cynthia A. BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 11 May 1893 in Rockville, IN, and died 9 Feb 1977 in Vigo Co., IN. He married [Helen Josephine EISMAN](#) abt 1915. He married [Anna M. KIEFER](#) 5 Jun 1934 in Vigo Co., IN, daughter of Jacob KIEFER and Lillie PRICHARD. She was born 25 Nov 1914 in Terre Haute, IN.

Children of Leland Sanford LEWIS and Helen Josephine EISMAN are:

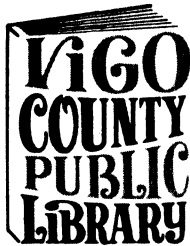
- + 38 i. [Leland F. LEWIS](#) was born 9 Jul 1916 in Terre Haute, IN, and died 14 Nov 1988 in Terre Haute, IN.
39 ii. [David W. LEWIS](#) was born 1918 in Terre Haute, IN, and died 23 Jan 1978 in Terre Haute, IN.

Descendant Register, Generation No. 5

38. [Leland F. LEWIS](#) (Leland Sanford LEWIS⁵, David Wallace LEWIS⁴, Cynthia A. BRIGGS³, John BRIGGS, JR.², John BRIGGS¹) was born 9 Jul 1916 in Terre Haute, IN, and died 14 Nov 1988 in Terre Haute, IN. He married [Betty Jo BROWN](#) 2 Jan 1945 in Vigo Co., IN, daughter of John Donaldson BROWN and Margaret HILTON. She was born 25 Feb 1926 in Terre Haute, IN. He married [Edna Pearl CHESSMAN](#) 10 Oct 1946 in Vigo Co., IN, daughter of Henry CHEESMAN and Jessie MEWHINNEY. She was born 17 Nov 1921 in Staunton, IN.

Child of Leland F. LEWIS and Betty Jo BROWN is:

- 40 i. [Living LEWIS](#).



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January 31, 1983

The Vigo County Historical Society forwarded your letter of Jan. 19 to us.

The various Vigo county histories mention numerous Briggs but no Jarvis Briggs. However, Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850 by Mae Johns lists the marriage of Jarvis Briggs and Aurelia Newton as 25 Oct. 1840. Several other Briggs marriages are listed also, one as early as 1819 and the others in the 1830s and 1840s.

According to the 1840 Indiana census index, there were only three Briggs families in Vigo county. Thomas Briggs of Harrison township had one male 5-10, one male 30-40, one female 5-10, one female 15-20, and one female 30-40 in his household. John Briggs of Otter Creek township had one male 20-30, one male 60-70, one female 40-50. Thomas Briggs, also of Otter Creek, had one male under 5, one male 20-30, one male 30-40, one female under 5, one female 15-20, and one female 20-30. Perhaps Jarvis was one of the 20-30 year old males.

In 1830 John was the only Briggs in Vigo county. He had one male 10-15, one male 50-60, and one female 15-20. He may have been the father of all the others.

Our surname file contains a folder on the Briggs family. It includes a 20 page paper on the Briggs, Burnett, Creal, Seymour, Crane, and Treat families. I believe it may have been written by Herbert Briggs, a local educator who died in 1929; he was a charter member of the Historical Society. The Briggs section of the paper is about six pages and concerns the descendants of William Briggs of Northumberland County, England. When William's third wife Ann died in 1843, the Briggs families in Vigo county received letters regarding the estate. William had a son John who married Jane Douglas in England. The first two children, William and John Jr., were born in England and the family came to America about 1798.

John Briggs supposedly landed in New York City and traveled to Ontario county NY, Pittsburgh, and Cincinnati, reaching Vincennes IN by 1809. Apparently he came to this area by 1812, because a young girl named Mary Briggs was named as one of those who helped mold bullets during the attack on Fort Harrison.

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The other children of John and Jane (Douglas) Briggs were: Fannie, Margaret, Mary, Thomas and Robert. Jarvis is not listed among John's children and grandchildren, but perhaps the family lost track of him after he went to Oregon. You might have a search made of the Briggs probate records in Vigo county to see if anyone had heirs in Oregon.

I am enclosing a copy of the telephone directory page listing Briggs. You might also write the genealogical query column in the local newspaper. The address is: Genealogy, Dorothy Clark, Terre Haute Tribune-Star, 721 Wabash Ave., Terre Haute IN 47808.

If you would like copies from the Briggs file or the marriage records, the charge is 10¢ per page, plus postage.

Nancy Sherrill
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Genealogy Librarian

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Gentlemen,

In an effort to trace the route of my family from the East coast to Oregon I am requesting any records that you may have of one, Jarvis Briggs, my great grandfather, who left Terra Haute by wagon train sometime in 1841. I have no record of anyone that may have been with him up to that point. When he left there was his wife and an infant daughter with him. He reached an area near Albany, Oregon where he filed a claim on one section of land. He raised ten children and He and his oldest son were killed by renegade Indians of the Tybe tribe in 1861. All of the children are now dead as are my parents so there are no available records.

In the event that there are some members of the family that may have settled in Terra Haute I would greatly appreciate any contact that you may have. In the event that there are not, a phone listing of any Briggs might be helpful.

Thanking you in advance for any help that you may extend, I am,

Sincerely

Don Briggs

1840 Census - many Briggs, no Jarvis
Vigo - John p 8017 Thomas - 374803

1830 Census - many Briggs, no Jarvis
Vigo - John 166,

1850 - no Jarvis Briggs

Man Rec

Briggs, Jarvis + Aurelia Newton Oct 35, 1870 by Reese

1840 Census Vigo Co p737

Harrison Twp

Thos Briggs 1 male 5-10, 1 male 30-40, 1 female 5-10,
1 female 15-20, 1 female 30-40

p801 Otter Creek Twp

John Briggs 1 male 20-30, 1 male 60-70, 1 female 40-50

p803 - Otter Creek

Thomas Briggs - 1 male under 5, 1 male 20-30, 1 male 30-40
1 female under 5, 1 female 15-20, 1 female 20-30

1830 Census Vigo Corp

John Briggs - 1 male 10-15, 1 male 50-60, 1 female 15-20

THE BRIGGS FAMILY.

The BRIGGS family was likely of Belgian origin and found its way into England with William the Conqueror.

The earliest known member of the family was William Briggs, a resident of High Newton, Co. Northumberland, near New Castle-on-Tyne, England. He was the owner of three small estates, namely; Newton-Lonenead, Newhouse and Park Cottage, Co. Northumberland, England.

William Briggs was married three times. The names of his first two wives are not known. The third wife was Ann Robson who died January 10, 1843. A niece of William's second wife was Barbara Lilly, who was a charge upon William Brigg's estate during her life time.

William's only child was a son, John, by his first wife.

By his father's will, John, as an only son, inherited the entire estate at the death of Ann Robson Briggs, with Barbara Lilly remaining a charge upon it. Whether the property was finally sold, became the property by deed of Mrs. Isabella Blakey, sister of John Briggs' wife, or disposed of in some other way is not known.

John Briggs married, in England, Jane Douglass. He came to America with his wife and two children, William and John, in 1798, John being about one year old at that time.

After a trip at sea lasting about six weeks, he landed at New York City. He made his way up the Hudson river and over the

Mohawk trail to Ontario Co. New York. Here he bought land and stayed a while. But the call of the west was strong; so John and his family journeyed on. Reaching the head waters of the Allegheny river they found their way to Pittsburgh where they again rested; built a raft and floated down the Ohio river to Cincinnati; another rest; another raft and on down the Ohio to the Wabash. And now travel meant WORK! To pole that raft up the Wabash to Vincennes where they arrived in 1809 was a task for a pioneer with an unconquerable determination to lose himself in the forest primeval. He found this forest in Vigo county, having walked through the wilderness from Vincennes. He must have been here as early as 1812; for the records in Vincennes show that Mary Briggs, a child, helped to mold the bullets for the guns during the night of the Battle of Fort Harrison. Mary's mother must have been in the Fort at the same time, while it is understood that John had returned to Vincennes to get and bring back the household belongings. We know from the early Vigo county records that he was established in Otter Creek township in 1816, being the first settler in that community. On October 24, 1827 is recorded his land entry of 160 acres, being the S.E. qr. Sec. 29-13-8 in Otter Creek Township, Vigo County, Indiana, patent granted October 1, 1831 signed by President Andrew Jackson. This property is still in the possession of one of his descendants.

Besides William and John Jr. who were born in England, other children of John and Jane Douglass Briggs were Fannie, Margaret,

Mary, Thomas and Robert.

John Briggs, the immigrant and Pioneer, died in Vigo County, Indiana September 14, 1846. Jane Douglass Briggs, first wife of John, died in Vigo County, Indiana September 23, 1824. John Briggs' second wife was Sarah (Sally) Ford who died in Vigo County, Indiana August 26, 1846. John and both of his wives are believed to have been buried in the Markle Cemetery, though their graves are unmarked.

The records of the children of John and Jane Douglass Briggs are as follows:

I. William Briggs, born in England, died Dec. 17, 1847; married Mary Ann Maiden in Vigo Co. Ind. June 8, 1819.

Children:

1. Alice Briggs, m. (1) Sidney Sering; (2) -----Reinheimer.
 - a. Byron David Sering m. Amelia Bannon who m. as her second husband John Joyce.
 - (1). Silvia Sering m. Raymond Yeager.
 - (a). Carolin Yeager.
 - (b). John Joyce Yeager.
2. Elvira Briggs m. Israel Wood.
 - a. George Wood.
 - b. Alice Wood m. Louis Hauseman.
 - (1). Ethel Hauseman m. ----Harkness.
 - (2). Hermine Hauseman m. ----Anderson.
 - c. William Wood m. Olive Harrison.
 - (1). Mable Wood.
 - (2). Helen Wood.
3. Eliza Briggs m. James Armstrong.
 - a. William Armstrong. (Half brother to Fred Armstrong, Chief of Police; Fred being the son of the second wife of James Armstrong, has no relation to the Briggs family.)
4. David Briggs.
5. John Briggs
 - a. Joretta Briggs m Joseph Cole.
6. William Briggs.
7. Henry Briggs.

II. John Briggs, born in England 1797; died 1875; married May 13, 1830 Sally Mounts, in Vigo County, Indiana.

Children:

1. Hamilton Briggs.
2. Jennie Briggs m. George Hesler.
3. Marie Briggs m. ---- Justice.
a. Emma Justice.
4. Cynthia Briggs m. --- - Lewis.
5. William Briggs m ---
a. Orville Briggs.
b. Alma Briggs.
c. ----
6. Eva Briggs m. ----- Pugh.
a. Guy.
(1). Hazel m. ----Wright.

III. Fannie Briggs m. Samuel McClatchey; no children.

IV. Mary Briggs b. Nov. 1805; d. Dec. 17, 1882; m. Aug. 14, 1824. George Wright b. July 11, 1801; d. Dec. 4, 1852.

1. Daughter m. ---Wood.
a. Jennie Wood.
b. George Wood.
2. Daughter m. James Rush.
3. William Wright b. Dec. 4, 1832; d. March 18, 1890;
m. Oct. 14, 1852, Charlotte Robinson b. Sept. 25, 1833; d. Aug. 28, 19
a. Mary Wright b. Aug. 31, 1853; d. Mar 14, 1855.
b. George Wright b. Nov. 5, 1855; d. Jan. 2, 1909.
c. Josephine Wright b. Jan. 4, 1858; d. Nov. 19, 1862.
d. William L. Wright b. Aug. 9, 1860; d. March 9, 1930;
m. Rebecca Cale.
(1). Helen Wright m. Max Johnson.
(2). Sarah Wright m. ----
(3). William Wright.
(4). Eleanor Wright m. Clifford Wampler.
e. London J. Wright b. Dec. 23, 1862; d. Jan. 13, 1863.
f. Glendora Gallena Wright b. Jan. 3, 1864; d. March 3, 1898;
m. Hurham Pittenger.
(1). Inis Pittenger m. --- Kibby.
(2). Harriet Pittenger m. Myles.
(3). Zua Pittenger.

- a. Charles M. Wright b. June 6, 1866; m. Dasie Smith.
 (1). Cecil Wright b. Aug. 13, 1898; m. Eugene Boles.
 (2). Gertrude Wright b. Sept. 6, 1900; m. Jack Sisson.
 (3). Madeline Wright b. Nov. 20, 1906; m. Ed Chestnut.
 (4). Willhemine Wright b. May 30, 1909; m. H. Henschen.
 (5). Charles W. Wright b. Oct. 25, 1912.
 (6). Kenneth Wright b. May 30, 1919.
 (7). Charlotte Wright b. Sept. 30, 1920.

V. Thomas Briggs b. in Stuben Co. New York May 5, 1809; d. in Pokagon Mich. Dec. 2, 1870; m. in Terre Haute, Ind. Aug. 15, 1833
 Margaret Havens b. in Ontario Co. New York March 23, 1816; d. in Pokagon, Mich. Dec. 7, 1882.

Children:

1. Walter Briggs b. Aug. 26, 1835; d. Dec. 24, 1907; m. Jan. 21, 1866 Seville Frances; (2) 1871 Eliza J. McKinney; (3) April 11, 1883 Marie Kingery.
 - a. Thomas Briggs b. June 30, 1868.
 - b. Fred Briggs b. May 7, 1874.
 - c. Edna Briggs
 - d. Emma Briggs } twins.
2. Calysta Briggs b. Oct. 18, 1838; d. Oct. 1, 1844.
3. Sarah Jane Briggs b. Nov. 6, 1841; d. March 15, 1917; m. Moses V. Gray Feb. 19, 1860.
 - a. Perry Gray b. Dec. 2, 1860.
 - b. Sarah Capitola Gray b. Dec. 25, 1866.
4. Adaline Briggs b. Feb. 23, 1844; d. March 23, 1844.
5. John M. Briggs b. Feb. 18, 1855; d. 1913; m. Jennie Tanner
 a. Ordell Briggs.
6. Hannah Briggs b. April 12, 1847; d. Feb. 20, 1917; m. Feb. 14, 1886 Stephen Hart Norton.
7. Robert Briggs b. Jan. 30, 1849; d. Sept. 3, 1854.
8. Albert Briggs b. June 7, 1851; d. 1930; m. Emma Micheal.
9. Millard Briggs b. April 18, 1853; d. Nov. 15, 1863.
10. Emma Briggs b. April 2, 1856; d. May 13, 1894; m. A. Parker.
11. Mary Briggs b. July 14, 1859; d. Dec. 9, 1929; m. Jan. 8, 1885 Silas Kenoyer.
 - a. Eldora; b. Burr; c. Elorine; d. Imogene; e. Lola; f. Margaret; g. Frances.

VI. Margaret Briggs b. --; d. Oct. 3, 1887; m. J. London.

1. America London b. 1838; d. Dec. 29, 1854.

2. Belle London m. ---Peak.

Two children.

3. John London.

VII. Robert Briggs b. July 17, 1818; d. Aug. 27, 1874; m. 1847
Rosetta Burnett b. 1823; d. 1868.

1. Grover S. Briggs b. 1848; d. Oct. 27, 1851.

2. Lucius R. Briggs b. 1850; d. 1852.

3. Mary Briggs b. 1852; d. 1854.

4. Caroline Briggs b. Nov. 14, 1854; m. James H. Crabb.

a. Rosemond Crabb m. Theodore C. Evans.

b. Edith Crabb.

c. Caroline Dove Crabb m. J.E. Sayre.

(1). Stanley Sayre b. Sept. 1918.

d. Ethel Josephine Crabb b. Jan 2, 1883; d. Feb. 16,
1913; m. Fred Daniels.

(1). Gilbert Daniels b. Dec. 22, 1909; m.

(2). Elizabeth Daniels b. Jan. 17, 1913.

e. Robert E. Crabb.

f. James H. Crabb.

g. Merrill W. Crabb b. Sept. 15, 1893; m. Wilma Koonce.

(1). Dorothy Ruth Crabb b. May 31, 1918.

(2). Mariam Caroline Crabb b. March 1925.

5. Ella Grover Briggs b. March 10, 1857; m. (1) A.B. Pegg;
(2) Dr. W. R. Halstead.

6. Edward M. Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1858; m.

a. Lola Briggs.

b. Clarence Briggs.

c. Robert Briggs.

d. Arthur Briggs.

e. Morton Briggs.

f. Lloyd Briggs.

7. Herbert Briggs b. Jan. 4, 1860; d. March 9, 1929;
m. (1) Oct. 22, 1890 Helen Cheatwood b. April 19, 1868; d. Sept.
21, 1908; (2) Jan. 5, 1910 Laura Pound.

a. Margaret Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1894.

b. Helen Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1894; m. Fred Hunter.

(1). Margaret Paice Hunter b. Nov. 1929.

c. Herbert Briggs b. Feb. 25, 1899; m. Sept. 12, 1923

Mary A. Boles.

d. Ruth Crane Briggs b. Dec. 9, 1901.

e. Laura May Briggs b. Jan. 16, 1911.

f. Jane Seymour Briggs May 9, 1914.

g. Eleanor Burnett Briggs b. March 2, 1921.

8. Josephine Briggs b. Feb. 19, 1863; d. Sept. 1902;
m. March 2, 1892 Edward Ralph Crabb.

a. Edward F. Crabb.

b. Robert Watson Crabb.

9. Ida May Briggs b. Sept. 4, 1865; d. Dec. 1906; m.
Mathias Palmer.

a. Lois Palmer.

b. Bliss Palmer.

c. Edith Palmer-Pierson. (Name changed by adoption).

d. Ruth Palmer-Perkins.

e. Haven Palmer-Perkins.

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Terre Haute, Indiana

PATERNAL

MATERNAL

Robert Briggs

B 7-17-1818
M 9-19-1847
D 8-27-1874
R Vigo Co. Ind.

Jane Douglas

B in Eng.
D 9-23-1824

ANCESTORS OF

Herbert Briggs

B 1-4-1860 - D 9-9-1929
R Vigo Co - Terre Haute, Ind
M(2) Laura Pound

Stephen Brown Burnett

B 1794
M 1818
D 1862
R Vigo Co. Ind.

Rosetta Burnett

B 9-24-1826
D 1-15-1868

Hannah Creal

B 3-2-1799
D 12-7-1829

William Briggs
Res. New-Castle-on-Tyne
Northumberland Co
England.

3rd wife
Ann Robson - not the
B mother of children
D 1-10-1849

Justus Burnett

B 1760
M 1826
D 1826
R

Lois Crane

B apt 1760
D 11-7-1831

Anthony Creal

B 12-13-1770
M 10-10-1799
D 3-14-1819
R

Hannah Seymour

B 4-5-1770
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William Burnett

B 1790M
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MATERNAL

Robert Briggs
B 7-17-1818
M 9-19-1847
D 8-27-1874
R Vigo Co. Ind.

Jane Douglas
B in England
D 9-23-1824

ANCESTORS OF

Herbert Briggs
B 1-4-1860 - D 3-9-1929
R Vigo Co. - Terre Haute, Ind.
M(2) 1-5-1910 Laura Bond

Stephen Grover Burnett
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Bapt. 1760
D 11-7-1831

Anthony Creal
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M 10-10-1793
D 3-14-1819
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B
M
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Sir Edward Seymour
B
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Mary Washe
B
D

ANCESTORS OF

B
R

Sir Arthur Champernour
B
M
D
R
Mary

Elij. Champernour
B
D

Sir Phil de Courtney
B
Elizabeth Hungerford
Dau. Lord Hungerford

Sir Ed. Seymour
B
Duke of Somerset
M Lord Protector of Eng.
D Brother of Jane Seymour
R wife of Henry VIII

Catherine Tilliol
B
D

John Washe
B
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Sir Philip Champernour
B
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Catherine Carew
B
D

Sir John de Courtney
B
M
D
R

Joan Champernour
B
D

Sir John Seymour
B
Father of John
D wife of Henry VIII
Margaret Wentworth
B
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Sir Wm Tilliol
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Sir John Champernour
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Margaret de Courtney
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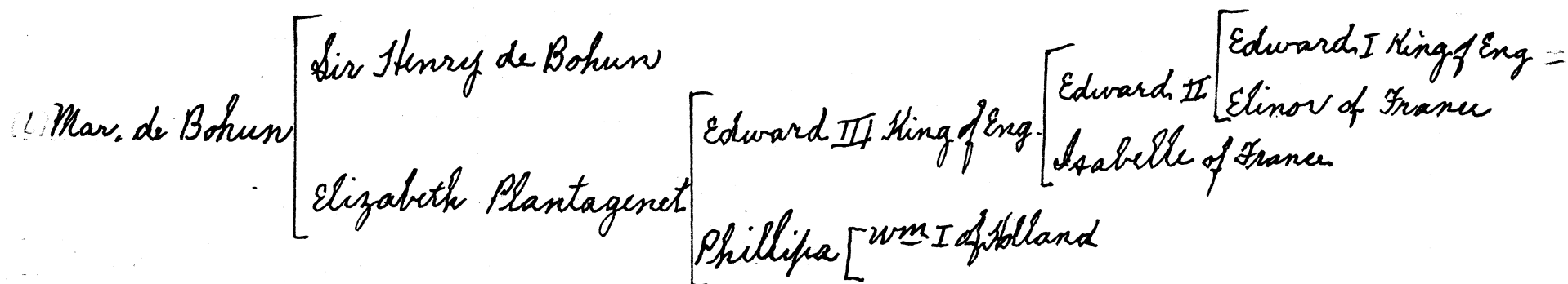
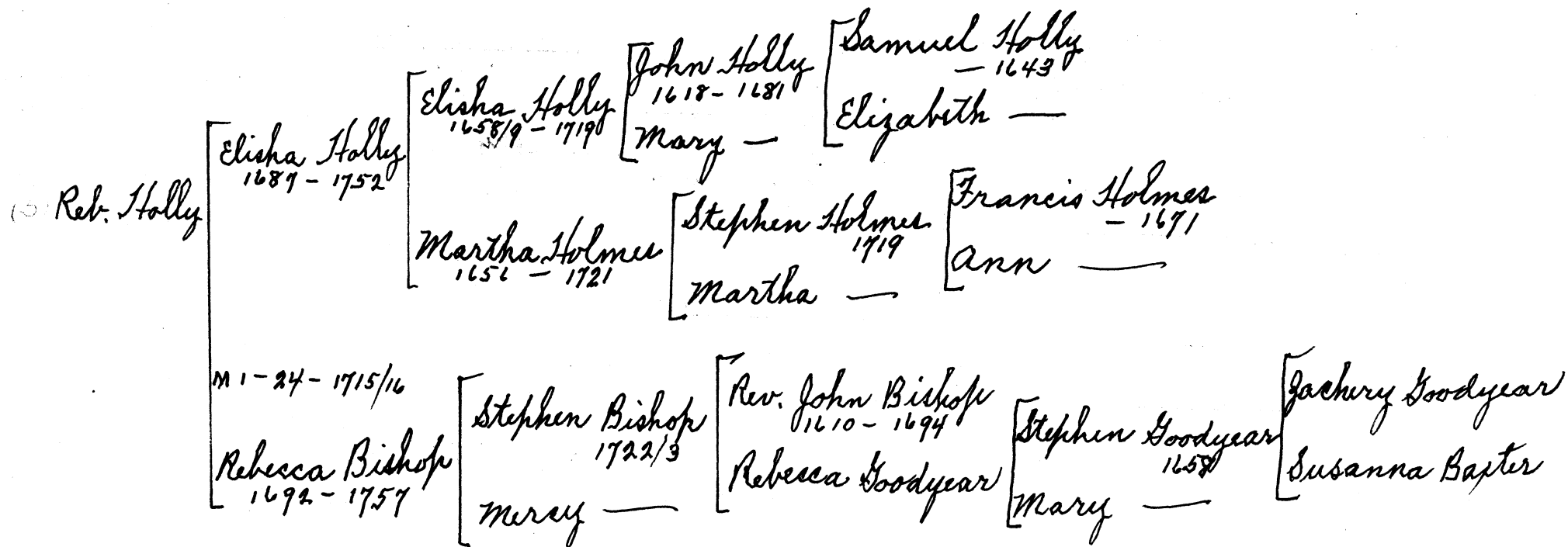
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= Through this line the lineage can be traced, to King John of Magna Charta fame;
 to Alfred the Great; to William the Conqueror and other Royal Houses of Europe.
 (See The Journal of American History. Vol V. No. IV-1911.) Or 'Your Family Tree' - David Star Jordan.

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(1) A. Burnett Jr. [Aaron Burnett Sr.
1655-1755
Elizabeth Tayler
Thomas Burnett
D 1684
M-(1) Mary —
(2) Mary Pierson

(2) A. Crane Jr. [Deacon Azariah Crane
1649-11-5-1730
Jasper Crane
1605-1681
Alice —

Mary Treat
5-1-1649-11-12-1704
Gov. Robert Treat
1625-7-12-1710
M-12-25-1647
Jane Tapp
1628-1703
Richard Treat
1584-1669/70
M 4-17-1615
Alice Baylord
1594
Hugh Baylord
1614
Judge Edmund Tapp
1653

Capt. Th. Seymour [Capt. Matthew Seymour
1669-1732
M 1690
Thomas Seymour
1702-1796
Richard Seymour
Merry Raskley
Sir Ed Seymour
Elizabeth
Champernowne X
Hannah Marvin
1634
Matthew Marvin
1600-1679
Elizabeth
1604-1640
Edward Marvin
1550-1615
Margaret —

Sarah Hayes
1673-
Samuel Hayes
1640
Elizabeth Moore
Isaac Moore
M-12-5-1645
Reith Stanley
1629-
John Stanley

Lt. John Waterbury
10-30-1692-1744
John Waterbury
1647/49-1682
Mary —
John Waterbury
1621-1658
Rose Lockwood
Wm Waterbury
1599-
Alice —
John Waterbury

Nath. Waterbury
M
(1) Sarah Holmes
(2) Hannah Cross
1687/8-1756
Nathaniel Cross
1714
Abigail —
William Cross
1655
Margaret —

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Family Record

of

John Briggs.

Born in England 1609 and

died at Portsmouth, Rhode Island 1690.

Married at in England (Date) To Sarah Cornell
Who was born at England (Date) Died at (Date)
She was ~~Daughter~~ ^{Sister} of Thomas Cornell who resided at Boston, Massachusetts
~~his~~ Wife. was Rebecca (Briggs), daughter of Henrie Briggs, of London, England.
Cornell

Marriages of the children					
Date	To whom	Born	Died	Son or Daughter of	Who resided at
	Hannah Fisher		after 1727	Daughter of Edward Fisher and Judith Fisher	Portsmouth, Rhode Island
	Mary Fisher		after 1717	daughter of Edward & Judith Fisher.	Portsmouth, Rhode Island
1680	Elizabeth Cook	1633	8/1716	daughter of John & Mary (Borden) Cook	
	Elizabeth Borden Cook				
	Stephen Northway				
	Hannah Wilcox, (Widow)	will proved Nov. 8 th 1736		daughter of John & Mary (Borden) Cook	
	Eleanor —				

REMARKS

John and Rebecca Briggs, were children of a certain
 Heurie Briggs, of Clerkenwell Parish, Middlesex, London,
 England, and the dates of their births are recorded
 in the St. James Church there.

* "John Briggs, was a person of some fortune, as would appear
 from purchases of land made at various times". He
 Came to Boston, Mass a Chisette, where his brother-in-law
 Thomas Cornell, was an innkeeper. He was a Dutch-
 insonite, and because of the dislike to this
 clique in Boston, he moved and purchased with
 others the island on which Newport, Rhode Island
 now stands. He took a prominent part in
 the organization and government of the new
 location, as appears of record:

1638 - admitted as inhabitant of R.I. 1639 Signer of
 Fidelity Compact; 1641 Freeman; 1643 - He was directed
 to go to every house to see what arms were defective.
 1646 - purchased land; 1648 Governors Assistant;
 1649 - Licensed to keep an inn; 1654 - 1663 Commissioner;
 1664 - 1669 Deputy General Court.

* "This John Briggs, (of Newport and Portsmouth) is an ancestor
 through whom several descendants claim membership
 in the Soc. Col. Wars and Soc. of Colonial Dames".

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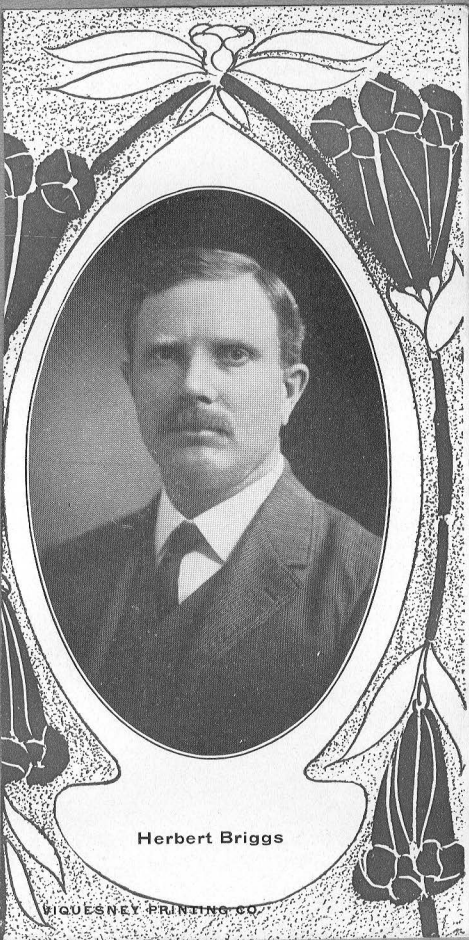
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Editorials

St. Clair-Siner Families Traced From Delaware

By DOROTHY J. CLARK

Among the papers of the late Mrs. Herbert Briggs, I found reams of notes she had taken on her family tree. Before her marriage she was Laura Pound, daughter of Wm. S. Pound and Mary Alice St. Clair; granddaughter of John M. St. Clair and Luvicia A. Mattox; and great-granddaughter of Eli St. Clair and Fannie Siner.

The local branch of the pioneer St. Clair family begins with John and Berthena (Joseph) St. Clair who come to America and settled in Sussex County, Delaware. Their son, Eli, was born there in 1794, and could remember when he was very small playing on the ice frozen over Delaware Bay by sliding with a chair.

Eli St. Clair was still quite small when they left Delaware for Pennsylvania, coming through in a covered wagon. One day Eli was allowed to ride in the feed box on the end of the wagon, and while going up a very steep hill, he fell out.

The wagon DOROTHY J. CLARK
train went on without him, and he wasn't



missed for some time. When his absence was discovered, some of the men went back to look for him, and found that he had been picked up by some other travelers coming along the same route. His many descendants considered it most fortunate that Eli escaped the wild animals and Indians and was rescued so promptly.

John St. Clair and his family located in the Monogahela Valley in Pennsylvania in a small Scotch settlement. Here Eli could remember going

down to Morgantown, Virginia to get huge kettles to cook down their maple syrup into sugar.

They did not stay in Pennsylvania very long — only long enough to raise bearing peach trees. Eli was a good-sized lad when they left for Kentucky. The family traveled down the Ohio River to Tar Springs, but settled about ten miles from the river. They traveled down river in what was called a "pirogue," made of a large hollow tree that would hold both people and animals.

Tar Springs was given its name from the pure tar that came up from the spring water and floated on the surface. It was necessary to climb down a cliff to reach the springs on an "Indian Ladder" made by cutting of the branches of a tree in such a way as to leave the stubs of tree limbs for foot holds.

The St. Clair family settled in Breckenridge County near Hardensburg, Kentucky, at a time when the Indians were very troublesome. The white settlers were decoyed out into the woods by the call for help from what they thought might be a neighbor or traveler but was an Indian. If they were foolish enough to leave their log cabins and fort they were massacred swiftly.

Eli St. Clair married Fannie Siner, daughter of Benjamin and Polly (Maladay) Siner, in Kentucky in 1812. He was 18 and she was about 15 years of age.

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One Sunday morning they returned from church to find their log house burned to the ground. Only a few days before they had sold their cattle and bought winter supplies, so they had lost everything. However, family and neighbors rallied to their rescue and soon had another log cabin built and stocked with all necessary furniture and food. When the Indians came to the house and asked for food, Fannie gave them a crock of milk and some turnips, which they cut into bite size with their knives and ate raw.

Moved to Sullivan

The next move of the St. Clair family was from Kentucky to Sullivan County, Indiana, a few months before Eli's son, Nelson, was born in 1818. Two older children,

Lavinia and Polly, were born in Kentucky. Benjamin was born in 1819, Andrew Jackson in 1820, Ellender Jane in 1822, Cynthia Eveline in 1823, Emily Maria in 1825, William James in 1827, Clemsey Curry in 1829, Richard Lane in 1830 and John Morton in 1832, twelve children of Eli and Fannie.

Eli's parents went with them

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Dorothy Clark

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to Indiana and settled about two and a half miles south of where Sullivan is now located. Their Negro servant Kizie, came with them. The father died in 1837, and the mother in 1845, and both are buried in the McCammon Graveyard south and west of Paxton, Ind.

Berthena (Joseph) St. Clair, an unusually intelligent woman, served her friends and neighbors as doctor and midwife in spite of being quite lame in her old age from having been thrown from her horse. She was on call day or night to deliver babies and tend the sick.

Eli St. Clair farmed for many years and would go to New Orleans on a flat boat to market his produce and buy supplies.

The Benjamin Siner family followed the St. Clairs to Indiana a few years later. In 1835 Eli moved from Sullivan to Pierson Township, Vigo County; the Siners had moved from Farmer's Prairie to Evan's Prairie on the Bono Road in Moses Evans' log cabin "away out across the branch." Benjamin Siner died there in 1826, aged 67 years.

After Fannie St. Clair died in 1864, Eli remained a widower until his death in 1892. For 30 years he lived with one or another of his children or had them live with him. Described as a very large man, he lived to be 98 years old, and attributed his long life to the fact he never used intoxicants, ate corn bread and drank buttermilk. Several generations later Eli has thousands of descendants.

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A native of New York, Mr. Briggs was born in Fort Ann, Washington county, on Dec. 21, 1826, and was a son of Spencer P. and Sally (Lamb) Briggs. Both sides of the family are of English descent, the father being a native of New Hampshire and the mother of the Empire state.

Leonard S. Briggs was reared on the home farm in New York, educated in the neighboring schools and became a teacher himself. In 1855 the freedom and opportunities of the west drew him to Alton also, where he established himself as a merchant. In 1861 he was appointed a sutler in the Union army, being unable to withstand the physical strain of active military service, and in 1864, after three years of this employment, he became a resident of Terre Haute. For the six years following his coming he was connected with the interests of Samuel T. Reese, a lumber merchant, when he invested his savings in an independent enterprise. During a short period he operated a planing mill, but in 1878 entered the lumber trade by establishing the L. S. Briggs Lumber Company. His son William, now deceased, was associated with him, and together they conducted a business which brought them both profit and a broad and honorable commercial standing. The executive ability and sound judgment of the founder of the company were also sought and enlisted in various enterprises in the west and southwest. In association with C. M. Daggett he founded the town of Fair Oaks, Arkansas, where he was established an extensive hardwood lumber and milling business. At Alton he also organized a company which organized a mining enterprise at Golden, Colorado. This enterprise was abandoned because of the impossibility of obtaining water for the prosecution of placer mining. Until shortly before his death, Dec. 5, 1901, Mr. Briggs mainly applied his abilities to the development of the lumber trade.

On the 24th of August, 1857, he wedded Anna M. Shineberger, daughter of Nicholas Shineberger. There were six children by the marriage, of whom only two lived beyond early childhood--Wm. J., who died in 1894 and Mary A., now the wife of Buena Vista Marshall, an attorney of the Terre Haute bar. On the 18th day of January in 1891, Mr. Briggs was again married, his second union being with Anna B. Douglas, a native of Terre Haute, daughter of John W. and Isabella (Johnston) Douglas.

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LOCAL INTEREST ALL IN A BUNCH

ANNIVERSARY CORONADO HOTEL RECALLS LOCAL MEN HELPED BUILD.

THE LARGEST FRAME HOTEL

Old Indian Sign That Marked
Tobacco Stores Now ~~Passe~~.
Barber Pole Still Used. Colored
Water Bottles Pass.

A story carried in the Indianapolis Star yesterday anent the fiftieth anniversary of the completion of the Hotel Coronado, on an island across the bay from Coronado, California, that will be celebrated tomorrow with a parade with costumes of fifty years ago, incidentally recalls the part that two Sullivan men had in the construction of this largest frame hotel in the world.

The two local residents were the late Stewart S. Barnes and Ben E. Briggs, who now lives at Erie, Pa. Stewart Barnes was the father of Mrs. Charles Hartfelter and Miss Kitty Barnes, both of this city, the latter resides at the old Barnes homestead on West Washington street.

Ben E. Briggs who visited here only recently was a son of the late Murray Briggs, founder of the Sullivan Democrat. George R. and Hervey Dutton are step brothers. Mr. Briggs is a civil engineer. Stewart Barnes, prior to going to California, nearly fifty years ago, was the superintendent of bridges on the old E. & T. H. railroad, now the C. & E. I. Elias S. Babcock, of Evansville, who was one of the promoters of the large hotel and resort at Coronado Beach, was an official of the old E. & T. H. and of course was well acquainted with Mr. Barnes.

Mr. Babcock and family located at San Diego, California, in 1888, for the benefit of the formers health. Mr. Babcock became acquainted with ~~Hampton L. Story, of Chicago, a re-~~ tired manufacturer of organs and pianos. They hunted, swam and fished together. One day Story was a dinner guest at the Babcock home, and the two men decided that they were too young to retire, and Babcock announced that they should build a hotel across the bay on the island where they had bathed on its beach that day. The hotel according to Babcock should be the biggest

frame structure in the world, and the smartest hostelry on any coast. Story decided to go into the project the next day and in December, 1885 a syndicate was formed composed of Babcock, Story, Jason Gruendike, of San Diego, and Josephus Collett, a capitalist, of Terre Haute, who presented the present Collett Park at Terre Haute to that city.

It was through Babcock that Mr. Barnes became general superintendent of the construction program for the hotel and resort, and Mr. Barnes took Ben Briggs along to assist as an engineer in the big proposition. The syndicate bought the harbor including North Island for \$110,000 and the hotel was built. It looks about the same as it did when opened half century ago, with the exception of some modern additions. Ben Briggs remained in California for a year, and Mr. Barnes remained at Coronado for seven years, when he returned to his old home here.

Those folks of more mature years, will remember the figure of the cigar store Indian, who was always located on the sidewalk in front of any store where tobacco and cigars was sold. He was as an essential part of the business as the stock of tobaccos and cigars in the store. Why the tobacco dealers abandoned this distinctive insignia of their business these many years ago is not known.

It is possible that these large signs of a life-sized Indian fastened to a heavy wooden base, were always located near the edge of the sidewalk in front of the place of business, encroached on the space of the sidewalk right-of-way in a manner that was later prohibited by the ordinances of cities and towns. As a matter of fact signs and merchandise used to appear largely on the sidewalks, and these are now largely passe on account of encroachments and ordinances.

The old cigar store Indian was usually made of wood, and in some exceptional cases he was cast of metal. He was always standing erect in a war-like attitude, with a bundle of cigars in his extended arm and hand. He was always attired as the noble red man, and was painted in the bright colors of his make-up. Some times he was practically undraped with the exception of breechclot and head feathers. Some times he was attired in the buckskins of the frontier, and his environment. Some times he wore a necklace of bear claws and bracelets. Some times he carried a

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Briggs Family

Briggs Family
**Water Works
Assn. to Honor
T. H. Pioneer**

T.H. Trib-Star 4/21/68

A Terre Haute pioneer in the public water supply profession, J. G. Briggs will be memorialized at commemoration ceremonies to be held at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., on April 29. Mr. Briggs, one of the 22 leaders in the public water utility industry helped found the American Water Works Association in 1881.

American Water Works Association president, Henry J. Graesser of Dallas, Tex., will present the university with a bronze plaque dedicating the date and site of the historic event, and inscribed with the names of the 22 original founders and the cities they represented.

The relief will depict the purpose of the original gathering, "to advance the knowledge of the design, construction, operation, and management of water utilities for the purpose of improving their service to the public." Accepting for the university will be Chancellor Thomas Eliot. The bronze relief will be permanently mounted at the university's School of Engineering, Urbauer Hall.

Over 200 of the nation's top water supply experts will attend the ceremonies and hear Dr. Abel Wolman speak at the convocation. He has been described as the man who has done more to advance the art and science of water supply engineering than any man of our time. Wolman of Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore, Md., a past president of the American Water Works Association has been an advisor to Presidents. A teacher of sani-

tary engineering, Wolman has been an editor of leading publications in the field, and above all a leader who has been able to see the big problems of water supply and resources. He has the happy faculty of communicating his theories and thoughts simply and clearly, and the principles of their solution to his fellow engineers. Wolman's address is titled "Friends of the Thirsty."

The American Water Works Association is a scientific and professional society of more than 20,000 engineers, operators, officials and others interested in public water supply. It performs its services through four functional divisions, more than 100 technical committees in 34 regional sections in the U. S. and Canada.

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Dear Nancy, my thanks for your effort and information on the Briggs family. I will, as you suggested, write to Dorothy Clark for whatever information she may have and will also request copies of the six pages of the six pages of the surname file of Briggs descendants. My check is enclosed.

In time, I will write to each of the Briggs listed in the telephone pages and request any information that any of them may have on their antcedants who may include information as to Jarvis Briggs.

It may be interesting for you to know that the pioneer gravesite of Jarvis Briggs and his son Newton, who were killed by Indians on the Balow-Gates Tell Road in 1861, is now an Oregon State marker. It was cleared by the Mt Hood Nat. Forest Service and a fence built about it. As it was on the campsite where they were murdered, a trail was constructed, at my request, from the main road. The location of the grave was lost for many years until I re-discovered it in 1965. My grandfather and a great aunt had a stone made in Oregon City and packed it in on muleback with lime and stones for a base. It is located in Back of Mt. Hood about midway between Oregon City and Hood River, Or.

The seven Indians involved in the killing were handed over to the military in Hood River and, according to an old newspaper account, were hanged there in the main street. I have been unable to find any record of a trial, of any kind, either in military records or civilian files. I have newspaper items, published at the time, from both Oregon City and Hood River if I discover anyone that is interested in the family history.

Sincerely
Don Briggs
Don Briggs

Harold E. Kavern
947 Pacific Street
Morro Bay, California 93442

Emeline Fairbanks
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7 Sept 1988

I'm wondering if you might be able to help me? I have several generations of ancestors who lived in the western half of Indiana beginning around 1830 mainly Fountain, Parke, Vermillion & Vigo Counties. Possibilities:

① An ARCY (gr) BRIEGBS married a John Fitzgerald in Fountain Co around 1832. They had 2 children ^{Brady} Brady & Ellen

② ARCY Fitzgerald then married a Jacob Donaldson around 1837 in Fountain Co + they had 3 children, David, John + Indiana (my Gr. Grandmother)

③ In 1860s Indiana Donaldson married a William F. MURRAY in Fountain Co + had 2 children DAVID + Ross (who may have died young). In 1874 Indiana Murray married a William KEVERN, an Englishman, my great grandfather. They had 1 child James

④ In 1887, in Fountain Co Indiana married a William Richardson + sometime before 1900 moved to Vermillion Co. They may have had children

⑤ In 1896, in Vermillion Co., James Kavern (gr.pa.) married a Rosa FALLS, my grandmother.

Fountain County Court Records
Former Res. of Early Settlers p 47 - James
Briggs - Wabash Co IN 1825

✓ Marriage Rec 1 - p 5 Arey Briggs + John
Fitzjared 17 May 1831

p 13 - Ainy Fitzgerald + Jacob Donaldson
27 April 1837

Tract Book 70, 71, 73, 75 + 77
Wabash + Troy Twp

✓ 1860 Donaldsons

John 17 - p 571
Indiana - 15 - 9N - Fountain p 721

Adam - 23 - Fountain p 842

Alexander 26 " "

James 58 KY " "

Malinda 17 " "

Sarah 57 KY " "

Indiana 15 - Warren
p 595

Alice 7 - 9N

Alx - 35 VA

Clarey 14 9N

David 20 9N p 594

Mary 35 VA p 595

Wm 45 VA "

Rosa had been previously married to someone named Fisher

⑥ I believe Rosa was born in 1876 in Parke Co. to a James FALLS + a Mary SCHARMERNHORN. They also had a son Floyd born in 1880, + they moved to Vermillion Co. ^{F 429 James Falls 32, Mary 28, Emma 5}
^{Rutha 3, Rosa 1 - De Fall Co.}

⑦ In 1900 I found that Floyd Falls was boarding at the Indiana Richardson home in Vermillion Co - This may have been how James Kavern met Rosa Falls

⑧ In 1904 my Father James Harold Kavern, was born in Clinton Vigo Co. Then around 1915 the family moved to Calif.

I wonder if you have any suggestions re locating information on, most particularly, Arcey Briggs under #1, William Kavern under #3, + James + Mary Falls under #6?

Thank you for your assistance

Sincerely
Hal Kavern

Enc: Self addressed envelope

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28 Sept 1988

Dear Ms Sherrill

Thank you so very much for all the information you provided. I had really been stymied, + now you given me several directions to go, along with a lot of information.

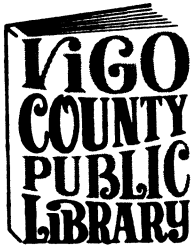
This definitely assures me that my Father's line includes at least 4 generations of "Noosiers" going back to at least 1820.

Now when I find out more on Falls + Schermerhorn I'll have that line complete.

Thank again for your help

Sincerely
Hal Kavern

Briggs
Family



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September 19, 1988

Your letter to the Emeline Fairbanks Memorial Library was forwarded to us. That was the name of our old main library building. We moved into a new building in 1979 and are now known as the Vigo County Public Library.

We do not have much information on Fountain county, but I checked the few books we have. Fountain County, Indiana, Court Records by Miriam Luke contains miscellaneous land, marriage, and probate records. I found the following items:

p.47 James Briggs of Wabash County IN received a land patent in Fountain county in 1825

p.5 Marriage of John Fitzjarred and Arcy Briggs, 17 May 1831

p.13 Marriage of Jacob Donaldson and Ainy Fitzgerald, 27 April 1837

p.19 2 Nov. 1824 James Briggs land in sec.9, T19NR8W

p.20 18 July 1826 John Briggs land in sec. 21, T19NR8W;
13 Oct.1827 Richard A. Briggs land in sec. 21, T19NR8W; 21 March 1823 James Briggs land in sec. 27, T19NR8W and 23 Oct. 1822 land in sec. 29, T19NR8W; 23 Feb. 1829 Martin Briggs land in sec. 34 T19NR8W; 16 Oct. 1836 Elizabeth Briggs land in sec. 34, T19NR8W

H. W. Beckwith's 1881 History of Fountain County is not indexed, but I checked the sections for Wabash and Troy townships where the Briggses owned land. I found that a Watson N. Clark was married on 12 Feb. 1935 to Elizabeth Briggs, "daughter of James and Charlotte Briggs, early settlers of Fountain county." There is no mention of your Arcy Briggs, but she could have been a daughter of James or one of the other Briggs men who came to Fountain county before 1830. Wabash county in 1820 included what could later become Fountain county, so James Briggs might have been in the area at a very early date.

Harold E. Kavern
September 19, 1988
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We don't have the later Fountain and Vermillion county marriage records. However, many Indiana courthouse records have been filmed by the LDS Church and those records may be borrowed through the LDS branch libraries. In 1882 Indiana clerks began asking those applying for marriage licenses to give their ages, birthplaces, and parents' names. That information was kept in books called marriage applications or marriage supplements. Perhaps you could get that information for the 1887 and 1896 marriages. You might also search naturalization records in case William Kavern became a citizen. You should also search probate and guardianship records as he apparently died when James was a child.

I checked the Soundex, a coded index, for the 1880 Indiana census, hoping to find the William Kavern and James Falls families, but did not find them listed. I did find a James Falls who had a wife named Mary and a daughter Rosa. However, Rosa was only one year old, and they were in DeKalb county. We recently acquired the Vigo County Historical Society's every name index to the 1860 Indiana census. I was surprised to find two fifteen year old Indiana Donalsons listed on it; one in Fountain county, page 721, and one in Warren county, page 595. Since Warren county is just north of Fountain, I thought that the same girl might have been enumerated twice. Several other Donalsons were listed in Warren county, pages 594 and 595: Alice, age 7 and born IN; Alx, 35 and born VA; Clarey, 14 and born IN; David, 20 and born IN; Mary, 35 and born VA; and William, 45 and born VA. There were also other Donalsons in Fountain county: John, 17 and born IN, on page 571 and Adam, 23 and born IN; Alexander, 26 and born IN; James, 58 and born KY; Malinda, 17 and born IN; and Sarah, 57 and born KY, on page 842. We don't have the 1860 census microfilms for Fountain and Warren counties, but your local public library could rent them for you from the American Genealogical Lending Library, P.O. Box 244, Bountiful UT 84010.

You might also try writing the genealogical query column in the local newspaper. The address is: Genealogy, Dorothy Clark, Terre Haute Tribune-Star, 721 Wabash Ave., Terre Haute IN 47808.

Nancy Sherrill

Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

A native of New York, Mr. Briggs was born in Fort Ann, Washington county, on Dec. 21, 1826, and was a son of Spencer P. and Sally (Lamb) Briggs. Both sides of the family are of English descent, the father being a native of New Hampshire and the mother of the Empire state.

Leonard S. Briggs was reared on the home farm in New York, educated in the neighboring schools and became a teacher himself. In 1855 the freedom and opportunities of the west drew him to Alton also, where he established himself as a merchant. In 1861 he was appointed a sutler in the Union army, being unable to withstand the physical strain of active military service, and in 1864, after three years of this employment, he became a resident of Terre Haute. For the six years following his coming he was connected with the interests of Samuel T. Reese, a lumber merchant, when he invested his savings in an independent enterprise. During a short period he operated a planing mill, but in 1878 entered the lumber trade by establishing the L. S. Briggs Lumber Company. His son William, now deceased, was associated with him, and together they conducted a business which brought them both profit and a broad and honorable commercial standing. The executive ability and sound judgment of the founder of the company were also sought and enlisted in various enterprises in the west and southwest. In association with C. M. Daggett he founded the town of Fair Oaks, Arkansas, where was established an extensive hardwood lumber and milling business. At Alton he also organized a company which organized a mining enterprise at Golden, Colorado. This enterprise was abandoned because of the impossibility of obtaining water for the prosecution of placer mining. Until shortly before his death, Dec. 5, 1901, Mr. Briggs mainly applied his abilities to the development of the lumber trade.

On the 24th of August, 1857, he wedded Anna M. Shineberger, daughter of Nicholas Shineberger. There were six children by the marriage, of whom only two lived beyond early childhood--Wm. J., who died in 1894 and Mary A., now the wife of Buena Vista Marshall, an attorney of the Terre Haute bar. On the 18th day of January in 1891, Mr. Briggs was again married, his second union being with Anna B. Douglas, a native of Terre Haute, daughter of John W. and Isabella (Johnston) Douglas.

Briggs Family

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Enclosed are the rest of the pages to the biography of Herbert Briggs from Cronin's History of Vigo County.

I also enclosed copies from the Briggs surname file of the charts listed in the file. Copies from the Burnett file include the obituary of Stephen Grover Burnett, one version of how the town of Burnett was named, the Ancestry of Audrey Leah (Hager) Moran and a copy of The Burnett Family.

None of our books are available for loan. The book by Octavia Burnett Eichelberger is typed carbon copy pages, pasted on black scrapbook paper. We can copy it for you, but the result will not be perfect. The cost for seventy pages plus postage would come to \$13.50.

Thank you for the \$5.00. However, these copies, plus postage and what was owed come to \$5.84, so a balance of \$.84 is due.

Mary-Margaret Iacoli
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Dear Mary-Margaret,

Thank you for the information you sent on the Briggs and Burnett families. All of it was very useful. I would love to have the continuing pages on the biography of Herbert Briggs from Cronin's History of Terre Haute or to borrow the book through inter-library loan, if possible. 5 pgs.

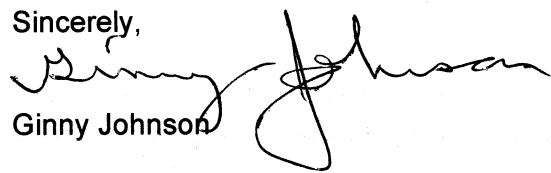
My grandmother was Josephine Briggs Crabb, born in 1863. Her parents were Robert and Rosetta Burnett Briggs, although I noticed that her name was not included in the Briggs surname file you sent. My parents were Robert Watson Crabb (born in 1896 in Terre Haute) and Josephine Woodman Crabb. My father's parents were Edward Ralph Crabb and Liona Williams Crabb.

You asked for more specifics on information I would be interested in. Any short biographies of my direct ancestors of the Briggs, Burnett or Crabb families from county histories, information on professions and places of origin or family trees or outline decendency charts would be helpful. I would love to borrow the book by Octavia Burnett Eichelberger, Families of Creal, Treat, Crane and Burnett if it's -70 pgs. available. If it's not available, I would love to know more about where the Burnetts came from or any references to Rosetta Burnett or her parents Steven Grover Burnett or Hannah Creal Burnett. Any information on the naming of the town of Burnett would be of interest.

10.50 copies
3. - postage
13.50

I hope this information will help narrow the search. I know your time to research is limited and I very much appreciate your help. I have enclosed a check for five dollars to cover copying costs.

Sincerely,


Ginny Johnson

charts - 6p. 90
Cronin 5 .75
Grover Burnett obit 1 .15
Burnett family 7 1.05 Our branch of the Burnett
Ancestry of Audrey 5 .75
Leah Rager Haman
Burnett named 1 .15
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62
437
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total

Briggs Family

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July 5, 1993

Special Collections

Some of the Vigo county courthouse records, including marriages, have been microfilmed by the LDS Church, and we have copies of the film. We can send you a copy of the Jarvis Briggs/Aurelia Newton marriage, but it will not include the names of the parents. That information was not recorded until 1882.

The Briggs papers are in our surname file. We can send you copies for 10¢ per page, plus postage, if you are interested in those.

Jarvis probably belonged to one of the Briggs families listed on the 1840 Vigo county census as he was married here in 1840. We can send you copies from the census for 15¢ per page, plus postage. However, the names of the children did not appear on the census until 1850.

The LDS Church microfilmed the Vigo county probate records as well as the marriages. If there is an LDS Family History Center near you, you could borrow the index to settled estates and look for Briggs probates then borrow the probate order books to see if any of them mentioned Jarvis.

You might also try writing the genealogical query column in the local newspaper. The address is: Genealogy, Dorothy Clark, Terre Haute Tribune-Star, P.O. Box 149, Terre Haute IN 47808.

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Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

June 21, 1993

Gentlemen,

I am trying to trace my family roots, without a great deal of success. My uncle recently sent me his notes from his efforts 10 years ago, and among those notes was the enclosed letter from someone at your library. I did not find the 2nd. page that must have had a signature. Anyway, the letter states the fact of a marriage of Jarvis Briggs and Aurelia Newton, Oct. 25, 1840. Is that just a record that the marriage took place, or is there an actual document (certificate)? I thought possibly if there was a document, it might mention Jarvis's parents or where he was from.

We have never had any success in locating that information. He died leaving no papers nor records, and everyone who might have known something is also dead, so we are really having trouble trying to trace him.

The enclosed letter also mentions a paper containing 6 pages of the descendants of William Briggs, and though they do not include the name of Jarvis, that information might be helpful and give me some names to contact or to trace from.

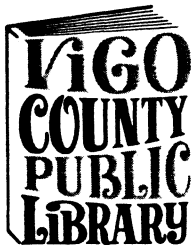
Any help you can give me will be deeply appreciated.

Most Sincerely,

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January 31, 1983

The Vigo County Historical Society forwarded your letter of Jan. 19 to us.

The various Vigo county histories mention numerous Briggs but no Jarvis Briggs. However, Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850 by Mae Johns lists the marriage of Jarvis Briggs and Aurelia Newton as 25 Oct. 1840. Several other Briggs marriages are listed also, one as early as 1819 and the others in the 1830s and 1840s.

According to the 1840 Indiana census index, there were only three Briggs families in Vigo county. Thomas Briggs of Harrison township had one male 5-10, one male 30-40, one female 5-10, one female 15-20, and one female 30-40 in his household. John Briggs of Otter Creek township had one male 20-30, one male 60-70, one female 40-50. Thomas Briggs, also of Otter Creek, had one male under 5, one male 20-30, one male 30-40, one female under 5, one female 15-20, and one female 20-30. Perhaps Jarvis was one of the 20-30 year old males.

In 1830 John was the only Briggs in Vigo county. He had one male 10-15, one male 50-60, and one female 15-20. He may have been the father of all the others.

Our surname file contains a folder on the Briggs family. It includes a 20 page paper on the Briggs, Burnett, Creal, Seymour, Crane, and Treat families. I believe it may have been written by Herbert Briggs, a local educator who died in 1929; he was a charter member of the Historical Society. The Briggs section of the paper is about six pages and concerns the descendants of William Briggs of Northumberland County, England. When William's third wife Ann died in 1843, the Briggs families in Vigo county received letters regarding the estate. William had a son John who married Jane Douglas in England. The first two children, William and John Jr., were born in England and the family came to America about 1798.

John Briggs supposedly landed in New York City and traveled to Ontario county NY, Pittsburgh, and Cincinnati, reaching Vincennes IN by 1809. Apparently he came to this area by 1812, because a young girl named Mary Briggs was named as one of those who helped mold bullets during the attack on Fort Harrison.

THE BRIGGS FAMILY.

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The BRIGGS family was likely of Belgian origin and found its way into England with William the Conqueror.

The earliest known member of the family was William Briggs, a resident of High Newton, Co. Northumberland, near New-Castle-on-Tyne, England. He was the owner of three small estates, namely Newton Lonehead, Newhouse and Park Cottage, Co. Northumberland, England.

William Briggs was married three times. The names of his first two wives are not known. The third wife was Ann Robson, who died Jan. 10, 1843. A notice of William's second wife was Barbara Lilly who was a charge upon William Briggs' estate during her life time.

William's only child was a son, John, by his first wife.

By his father's will, John, as an only son, inherited the entire estate at the death of Ann Robson Briggs, with Barbara Lilly remaining a charge upon it. Whether the property was finally sold, became the property by deed of Mrs. Isabella Blakey, sister of John Briggs' wife, or disposed of in some other way is not known.

John Briggs married, in England, Jane Douglass. He came to America with his wife and two children, William and John, in 1798; John being about one year old at that time.

After a trip at sea lasting about six weeks, he landed at New York City. He made his way up the Hudson river and over the Mohawk trail to Ontario Co. New York. Here he bought land and stayed awhile. But the call of the west was strong; so John and his family journeyed on. Reaching the head waters of the Allegheny river they found their way to Pittsburgh where they again rested; built

Note: These records are gathered from a number of letters containing different items of information.

1. Letter from Adam Little, administrator of the estate of William Briggs dated Feb. 15, 1843.

2. Letter from Thomas Rutledge, appointed by John Briggs to look into affairs of estate in England, dated Feb. 26, 1845.

3. Letter from Thomas Brown, dated March 9, 1849.

4. Letters from Margaret Briggs Longdon, daughter of John Briggs.

a raft and floated down the Ohio river to Cincinnati; another rest; another raft and on down the Ohio to the Wabash. And now travel meant WORK! To pole that raft up the Wabash to Vincennes where they arrived in 1809 was a task for a pioneer with an unconquerable determination to lose himself in the forest primeval. He found this forest in Vigo county, having walked through the wilderness from Vincennes. He must have been here as early as 1812; for the records in Vincennes show that Mary Briggs, a child, helped mold the bullets for the guns during the night of the Battle of Fort Harrison. Mary's mother must have been in the Fort at the same time, while it is understood that John had returned to Vincennes to get and bring back the household belongings. We know from the early Vigo county records that he was established in Otter Creek Township in 1816, being the first settler of that community. On October 24, 1827 is recorded his land entry of 160 acres, being the S.E. qr. Sec. 29-13-8 in Otter Creek Township, Vigo Co. Ind., patent granted Oct. 1, 1831 signed by President Jackson.

Besides William and John Jr. who were born in England, other children of John and Jane Douglass Briggs were Fannie, Margaret, Mary, Thomas and Robert.

John Briggs, the immigrant and pioneer, died in Vigo Co. Ind. September 14, 1846.

first wife of John

Jane Douglass Briggs died in Vigo Co. Ind. Sept. 23, 1824.

John's second wife was Sarah (Sally Ford) who died in Vigo Co. Ind. Aug. 26, 1846.

John and both wives are believed to have been buried in the Markle Cemetery; though their graves are unmarked.

The records of the children of John and Jane Douglass Briggs are as follows: -

in Vigo Co.

I. William Briggs born in England, died Dec. 17, 1847; married *June 8, 1919*
(1) Mary Ann Maiden

Children;

1. Alice born died
married (1) Sidney Sering (2) Reinheimer.
(a) Byron David Sering born died died
married Amelia Bannon who married (2) *John* Joyce.

1-. Silvia Sering born
married Raymond Yeager, born
a-. Carolin Yeager, born
b-. John Joyce Yeager, born.

2. Elvira born died married
Isreal Wood born died
(a) George born died
married

(b). Alice born
married *Louis Hauseman*
children H. Harrison
(c) *Mina Anderson*
married Olive Harrison
children Wood b 1884
Mabel Wood " 1888
Helen

3. Eliza born died married
James Armstrong who married (2) *Mrs. Henderson who had*
(a) William Armstrong born *daughter Rebecca*
(Fred Armstrong, Chief of Police, is the son of the
second wife and half brother to William, no relation
to the Briggs family.)
Andrew Armstrong

4. David Briggs

5. John Briggs born died married
(a) Joretta Briggs born died married
Joseph Cole.

6. William Briggs.

7. Henry Briggs.

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II. John Briggs, born in England 1797; died 1875; married
May 13, 1830, Sally Mounts in Vigo County Ind.

Children:

1. Hamilton Briggs ; unmarried.
2. Jennie Briggs born died married
George Hesler.
3. Marie Briggs, born died married
Justice.
a. Emma Justice.
4. Cynthia Briggs born died married
----- Lewis
5. William Briggs born died married
a. Orville
b. *Alma*
c. *Alma*
6. Eva Briggs born died married
----- Davidson. - *Pugh*
a. Guy.
Hazel Wright

III. Fannie Briggs born in America; died married
Samuel McClatchey; no children.

IV. Mary Briggs. See later page.

V. Thomas Briggs. " " " .

VI. Margaret Briggs born died Oct. 3, 1887; married
Jackson Longdon

1. America Longdon born 1838; died Dec. 29, 1854.
2. Belle Longdon born died married
----- Peak
a. -----
b. -----
3. John Longdon.

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IV. Mary Briggs, b. Nov. 1805; d. Dec. 17, 1882; m. Aug. 14, 1824
George Wright b. July 11, 1801; d. Dec. 4, 1852.

Children:

1. Dau b. d. m.

-----Wood.

a. Jennie Wood.

b. George Wood.

2. Dau b. d. m.

James Rush.

3. William Wright b. Dec. 4, 1832; d. March 18, 1890; m. Oct. 14
1852, Charlotte Robinson b. Sept. 25, 1833; d. Aug. 28, 1909.

Children:

a. Mary Wright b. Aug 31, 1853 d. May 14, 1855.

b. George Wright b. Nov. 5, 1855; d. Jan. 2, 1929; m.
Josephine Holmes.

c. Josephine Wright b. Jan. 4, 1858; d. Nov. 19, 1862;

d. William Lincoln Wright b. Aug. 9, 1860; d. March 9, 1930;
m. Rebecca Cale.

Children:

(1). Helen Wright -

*May Johnson - Clinton
Rasmussen Ohio*

(2). Sarah Wright -

(3). William Wright -

F. H. Wagon

(4). Eleanor Wright. -

Clifford Wampler

e. London J. Wright b. Dec. ²³12, 1862; d. Jan. 13, 1863.

f. Glendora Gallena Wright b. Jan 3, 1864; d. March 3, 1898;
m. Hiram Pittenger

Children:

(1). Inis Pittenger b.

m. Kibby.

(a). Gallena Kibby.

(b). Harriet Pittenger b.

m. Myles.

(c). Zua Pittenger.

g. Charles M. Wright b. June 6, 1866;

m. Dasie C. Smith b. Jan 16, 1879.

Children:

(1). Cecil Wright b. Aug. 13, 1898; m. Eugene Boles.

(2). Gertrude Wright b. Sept. 6, 1899; m. Jack Sisson.

(3). Madeline Wright b. Nov. 20, 1906; m. Ed. Chestnut.

(4). Wilhemine Wright b. May 30, 1909; m. Harold Henschen.

(5). Charles W. Wright b. Oct. 25, 1912.

(6). Kenneth Wright b. May 30, 1919.

(7). Charlotte Wright b. Sept. 30, 1920.

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- h. Fred C. Wright b. Jan. 20, 1869; d. Oct. 8, 1870;
 i. Bert B. Wright b. May 18, 1871; d. Dec. 1897;
 m. Thersa Reeder who m. as her 2nd husband, Guy Briggs.
 (1). Mary Wright.

- j. Annie Wright b. Nov. 12, 1873;
 m. Coleman Harrison.

Children

Mallie Harrison Marshall

Jessie

Skidmore

Wright

Clyde

d. 1916

IV Thomas Briggs of Terre Haute, Ind. and Margaret Havens of Terre Haute Ind. were married on August 15, 1833 at Terre Haute by Charles T. Noble.

Thomas Briggs born in Stube n County New York May 5, 1809 died in Pokagon Mich Dec 2, ~~1882~~ 1870.

Margaret Havens born in Ontario Co. New York March 23, 1816 died in Pokagon Mich Dec 7, 1882.

Their Children-

Walter Briggs born Vigo Co. Ind Aug, 26 1835 died Dec. 24, 1907. married Seville Frances Jan 21, 1866 (no record of her death)

Son Thomas Walter b June 6, 30, 1868.

" (2) Eliza Jane McKinney 1871. (date of death unknown)

Son Fred b May 7, 1874.

" (3) Maria Kingery April 11, 1883

Twins Edna and Emma

Calysta born Vigo Co. Ind. Oct 18, 1838
died Oct 1, 1844.

Sarah Jane born Vigo Co Nov 6, 1841; died March 14, 1917;

married Moses V. Gray Feb 19, 1860

Son Perry Dec. 2, 1860

Dau. Sarah Capitola Dec. 25, ~~18~~ 1866.

Adaline born Vigo Co. Feb. 23, 1844; died March 23, 1844.

John M. born in Vigo Co. Feb 18, 1845; d sometime in 1913;

mar. Jennie Tanner April 4, 1867.

Son Ordell .

Hannah born in Vigo Co. April 12, 1847 ; D Feb. 20 1917.

mar. Stephen Hart Norton Feb 14, 1886; no children.

Robert Born Vigo Co Jan 30, 1849; died Sept 3, 1854.

Albert b. Pask Co. Indd. June 7, 1851, died early part of 1930;

married Emma Micheal Oct. 12, 1876. no children.

Millard b. Vigo Co April 18, 1853; d Nov 15, 1863.

Emma born Vigo Co. April 2, 1856; d May 13, 1894;

m Almon Parker March 2, 1877.

Two daughters born ; both died at early age.

Mary b July 14, 1859 in Vigo Co. d Dec 9, 1929.

m Silas Kenoyer Jan 8, 1885.

Children; Eldora, Burr, Elorine, Imogene, Lola, Margaret, Frances, all living.

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Parents of Margaret Havens Briggs

{ Robert Havens b. Feb. 5; 1780 in N.Y. d. June 29, 1849

{ Hannah Bentons b. Dec. 22 - 1789 in Conn. d. 7-21, 1847,
m. in New York Nov. 28, 1809.

Levi (5) Benton Isaac (4) Joseph (3) Andrew (2) John (1) was
"accepted as a freeman at Salisbury Conn. Sept. 19
1770. He removed to Sheffield Mass in 1777 and
to Cannon Conn. in 1780, and was ~~the~~² first
settler of Yates Co. New York in 1789, its town of
Bentons being named in his honor. In 1816
he and his wife removed to Franklin Co. Ind.
where they died at an advanced age.

He married Oct. 30, 1769, Mary a daughter of
Abner and Hannah (Dyer) Woodworth of
Salisbury Conn.

Benton Genealogy dates back to 1639.

VI, Robert Briggs born July 17, 1818 in Vigo Co. Ind. ; died August 27, 1874; married 1847 Rosetta Burnett born 1823; died 1868. Both Robert and Rosetta Burnett Briggs are buried in the Burnett Cemetery south of the rail-road.

Children;

1. Grover S. Briggs born 1848; died October 27, 1851.
2. Lucius Renyolds Briggs born Aug. 30, 1850; died Apr. 23, 1852.
3. Maryl Briggs born Nov. 30, 1852; died Dec. 20, 1854.
4. Caroline Briggs born Nov. 14, 1854; married
James H. Crabb, born died.-----
 - (1) Rosamond Crabb born Sept. 19, married
Theodore Clifford Evans.
 - (2). Edith Crabb, born Sept 1878; died
 - (3). Caroline Dove Crabb, born married
J. E. Sayre born
a. Stanley Sayre, born Sept. 1918.
 - (4). Ethel Josephine Crabb Jan. 2, 1883; died Feb. 16, 1913;
married Fred Daniels.
a. Gilbert Daniels born Dec. 12, 1909; married
b. Elizabeth Daniels, born Jan. 17, 1913.
 - (5). Robert Edward Crabb, born
 - (6). James Herbert Crabb, born
 - (7). Merrill Warren Crabb, born Sept 15, 1893; married
Willma Koonce
a. Dorothy Ruth Crabb, born May 31, 1918.
b. Marriam Caroline Crabb, born March , 1925.
5. Ella Grover Briggs born March 10, 1857; married
(1). Pegg; 1879. Dr. W.R. Halstead.
6. Edward Morton Briggs, born Dec. 31, 1858; married
 - (1) Lola Briggs
 - (2) Clarence Briggs
 - (3) Robert Briggs
 - (4) Morton Briggs
 - (5) Lloyd Briggs

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VI. Robert Briggs born July 17, 1818 in Vigo Co. Ind.; died Aug. 27, 1874; married Rosetta Burnett

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VII. Herbert Briggs, born Jan. 4, 1860; died March 9, 1929; married (1) *Oct 27, 1890* Helen E. Cheetwood, born *Apr. 19, 1868* died *Sept 4, 1908*; (2) Jan. 5, 1910 Laura Pound

- Children of H.B. and Helen Cheetwood;
- (1) Margaret Briggs born Dec. 31, 1894.
 - (2) Helen Briggs born Dec. 31, 1894; married Fred Hunter.
a. Margaret Paige Hunter Nov. 1929.
 - (3) Herbert Briggs, Jr. born Feb. 25, 1898, married Sept. 12, 1913, Mary A. Boles.
 - (4) Ruth Briggs, born Dec. 9, 1901.
- Children of H. B. and Laura Pound
- (5) Laura May Briggs born Jan. 16, 1911.
 - (6) Jane Seymour Briggs born May 9, 1914.
 - (7) Eleanor Burnett Briggs born March 2, 1921.

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VIII. Josephine Briggs born Feb. 19, 1863; died Sept. 1902+ married *3-2-1912* Edward Ralph Crabb born *Aug. 16, 1847* died
(1) Edward Fowler Crabb born married
(2) Robert Watson Crabb born

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IX. Ida May Briggs born Sept 4, 1865; died Dec. 1906; married Mathias Palmer born d died *Aug, 1906*
(1) Lois Palmer born
(2) Bliss Palmer born married
(3) Edith Palmer-Pierson born married
(4) Ruth Palmer-Perkins born married
(5) ~~Haven Palmer-Perkins~~ born

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Marriage Announcement

Laura ~~Pond~~ + Pound + Herbert Briggs

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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pound
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BRIGGS COLLECTION

Herbert Briggs Family.

T.H. Biography

Harry Briggs

T.H. Trib-Star 9/8/68

Dies at Age 66

Harry Briggs, 66, a former member of the Terre Haute School Board and for many years recorder of the Zorah Shrine Temple, died at 2:05 p.m. Saturday at St. Anthony Hospital following a brief illness.

Briggs, who resided at 815 Maple Ave., was also a retired school teacher, spending most of his professional career as a science instructor at Gerstmeyer High School.

A native of Johnson County, he graduated from Franklin High School and then entered the old Indianapolis Physical Education College, earning his bachelor's degree in 1924.

He received a master's degree in education from Indiana State University in 1937.

He was named recorder emeritus of the Shrine in 1966 after holding the post on an active basis for over 15 years.

His one term on the school board came in the early 1950s before all public schools in the county were consolidated under

the Vigo County School Corporation.

He maintained a lifelong interest in sports, starring in basketball during his high school and college days, and later coaching basketball and track, and serving as an official for Indiana high school football and basketball games.

After graduating from college, he began his teaching career at Gerstmeyer. He was transferred to Woodrow Wilson Junior High when that school was first opened and served there as basketball and track coach as well as a physical education teacher.

In 1937 he returned to Gerstmeyer as a science teacher, a position he held at the time of his retirement in 1948.

After retiring from active teaching he devoted more time to Masonic activities.

He was a member of Terre Haute Lodge 19, F&AM; the Scottish Rite; Zorah Shrine; the Elks Lodge; Kerman Grotto; the

Swords of Bunker Hill and the First Presbyterian Church at Shelbyville.

Surviving are the wife, Perdita; a brother, Ralph of Shelbyville and a sister, Mrs. Reba Ballard of Escondido, Calif.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Cross Funeral Home with Rev. John Chironna officiating. Burial will be in Highland Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call after 6 p.m. Sunday.

REFERENCE
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HERBERT BRIGGS

INDIANA ROOM

On Saturday March 9, 1929 occurred the death of Mr. Herbert Briggs, following a paralytic stroke the previous Wednesday, quoting from the spectator of March 16th, Mr. Briggs was born in Otter Creek township on Jan. 4, 1863. At the age of eighteen he began teaching in the Public Schools, and during his connection with them, served as Principal of the Montrose, Greenwood, Collett and Harrison schools and later was head of the Vocational department of the Public Schools. He was a close student of Indiana History and one of the best authorities regarding that of Vigo County. Chiefly through his efforts, Indiana text books were devoted to the history of the state. For several years he served as a member of the City Council, and was the author of the present system of City Government through approval by the state legislature of a plan he prepared while serving in the Council.

Mr. Briggs was also a charter member of this society and until a couple of years ago a constant attendant at its meetings. He died ^{March} ~~June~~ 9, 1929. Survived by his wife, one son and six daughters.

Briggs Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 1945.

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

By MARY GRIMES,
Tribune Society Editor.

Mrs. Herbert Briggs, of North Eighth street, announces the marriage of her daughter, Eleanor Burnett, to Cpl. Richard Wright Freeman, son of Mr. Ernest Nelson Freeman, of Charleston, Ill. The double-ring ceremony took place Monday evening, Aug. 6, in Denver, Colo., at Trinity Methodist church, with Dr. Samuel W. Marble officiating. The attendants were Sgt. and Mrs. Robert H. Kohlman.

The bride wore a simple, street-length dress of white marquisette with white accessories. Her flowers were gardenias and roses.

Mrs. Freeman is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers College, where she was an active music major. She played viola with the college orchestra and the Terre Haute Symphony during her undergraduate career. She is a member of the Gamma Gamma sorority, the Maple Avenue Methodist church and Daughters of the American Revolution.

For the past year Mrs. Freeman has been director of the Charleston High School band and will continue there for the coming year. Cpl. Freeman is at present assigned to Squadron H, Security Section, Buckley Field, Colo., as an instructor.

The couple will remain in Denver until fall, when Mrs. Freeman returns to Charleston for the opening of the school year.

AUGUST BRIDE



MRS. RICHARD W. FREEMAN.

Eleanor Burnett Briggs, daughter of Mrs. Herbert Briggs, of North Eighth street, became the bride of Cpl. Richard Wright Freeman, of Charleston, Ill., in ceremonies at the Trinity Methodist Church in Denver, Col., Monday evening, Aug. 6. Mrs. Freeman is well-known in local music circles, having been a special music major during her undergraduate years at Indiana State Teachers College. The couple will remain in Denver for the summer as Cpl. Freeman is stationed at Buckley Field there.

THE CHARLESTON DAILY COURIER

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E. N. Freeman, father of the bridegroom, attended the wedding ceremony.

STAR, MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1931

**OLD BRIGGS HOME,
BUILT IN 1870, IS
BURNED TO GROUND**

A noted landmark, the James H. Crabb farm home, also known as the Briggs homestead, was razed by fire early Sunday after having stood since 1870 on a hill one mile west of Burnett on the road which is now paved. It was built of lumber felled and sawed on the same farm.

Fire at the house first was discovered by a neighbor who gave the alarm to the Len Judson family, tenants, as they sat at breakfast. The blaze already was well under way and nothing could be done to save the place. The Judsons lost half of their personal goods.

The land on which the old home stood was first settled by the Briggs family in 1816. A former house also burned in 1866 on nearly the same site. The late Herbert Briggs, who at the time of his death was juvenile referee; Mrs. W. R. Halstead of Terre Haute and Mrs. James H. Crabb were brought up in the house which has just been destroyed.

For some time part of the James H. Crabb estate, the house is said to have belonged to Owen Merrill Crabb. Its value was partially insured.

BRIGGS BURIAL RITES PRIVATE

**Former Pupils of County
Worker to Act as Pall-
bearers—Career Active.**

Funeral services for Herbert Briggs, county probation officer, who died early Saturday morning at his home, 1909 North Eighth street, from a stroke sustained Wednesday forenoon at the County Court House, will be held privately at the home tomorrow, with friends to call at the home during today and this evening.

Pallbearers at the funeral service have been announced as follows: Gerhardt A. Monninger, Fred A. Stalnaker, William E. Littlefield, William Wallace, Herbert Smith and Herman A. Collins. All these were among the pupils who the late Mr. Briggs taught while principal of the Collett School, their graduation from the school taking place while he held that position.

Mr. Briggs was 66 years old and started his work as a teacher at the age of 18, when he was hired by the Terre Haute schools. He was thereafter successively principal of the Montrose, Greenwood, Collett and Harrison schools. Later he was principal of the vocational school here, which now has grown into Gerstmeyer Technical High School.

Active Public Worker.

In civic affairs Briggs was a member of the Terre Haute Common Council for 12 years, beginning in the 1890s, and was a member of the Board of Public Works. He was the chief composer and sponsor of the new form of government adopted by Terre Haute, through legislative action, about 1900; this type, known as the federal plan, now being the form in practically all Indiana cities.

One of his chief interests was history, particularly local and Indiana history—the closer to Terre Haute being the historical matter the greater his interest in it. Largely through his work Indiana history came to be taught in the public schools and he was at the same time the recognized authority on local history.

Mr. Briggs was first married in 1890 to Miss Helen Cheatwood of Spencer, Ind., there being four children of this marriage, Helen, Margaret, Herbert and Ruth. His second marriage was to Miss Laura Pound following the death of his first wife, their children being Laura May, Jane Seymour and Eleanor Burnett Briggs.

Parents Vigo Pioneers.

Briggs was admittedly proud of his English ancestry, which was of a high standard. His birth was in Otter Creek Township Jan. 4, 1863, his parents being Robert Briggs and Rosetta Burnett Briggs. His grandfather was the first landowner in Otter Creek Township and the first justice of the peace there, sitting in this capacity in the first murder case known to the county.

Mr. Briggs had traced his ancestry back to William Marshall, Earl of Pembroke and lord marshal, to the first King John of England and signer of the Magna Charta.

His education was in the State Normal School, now Indiana State College for Teachers, in Terre Haute, and in a normal school at Flint, Mich.

At his death he was a member of the Indiana School Men's Club, the Society of Colonial Wars, Founders of Patriots, Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of United States Veterans of 1812, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, the Vigo County Historical Society and others.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Laura Briggs; a son, Herbert Briggs Jr., of Pittsburgh; six daughters, Miss Margaret Briggs, of New York; Mrs. Fred Hunter, of Earlham, Iowa; Miss Ruth Crane Briggs, of Reno, Nev., and Laura May, Jane Seymour and Eleanor Burnett Briggs, all of Terre Haute; a brother, Edward M. Briggs, of Portland, Ore., and two sisters, Mrs. Carrie M. Crabb and Mrs. W. R. Halstead, both of Terre Haute.

INDIANA PROBATION NEWS

Deceased.—Prof. Herbert Briggs, chief probation officer of Vigo County. Prof. Briggs was deeply interested in his work. He was a splendid worker with boys and his place will be hard to fill.

ATTACK IS FATAL TO HERBERT BRIGGS

Herbert Briggs, chief county probation officer, who sustained a stroke of paralysis Wednesday morning, died this morning at 1:50 o'clock at his home, 1909 North Eighth street. Mr. Briggs, who has been active in political and educational circles in Terre Haute for many years, was suddenly stricken while engaged in his duties in the juvenile department at the County Court House and he was immediately rushed to his home. For a time it was believed that he was improving, but he gradually sank away and doctors despaired of saving his life yesterday.

Mr. Briggs was highly successful in his juvenile probation work at the Court House and was held in the highest esteem by the county officers with whom he worked. Before engaging in this work, he was a teacher of vocational subjects and principal of the Terre Haute Vocational School for several years. He also served as city councilman and as member of the Board of Public Works in addition to other public offices. As an active worker in civic enterprises, Mr. Briggs had few equals in the city.

BRIGGS' VACANCY TO REMAIN OPEN

Judge John P. Jeffries does not intend to make any appointment to fill the place made vacant by the death of Herbert Briggs, he said Saturday.

"Even before the death of Herbert Briggs I began to hear from people who sought his position as chief probation officer of Vigo county," said Judge Jeffries. "But those who seek the place are doomed to disappointment. I do not intend to appoint any one in his place. Mr. Bailey and Mrs. Sprouse can do the work and it will not be necessary to name any one else unless I should be mandated to do it. The state law provides for such an office but the taxpayers can be saved some money by letting the present officials look after the duties of the office, which they can do easily, so I shall make no appointment, at least not at present."

TRIBUNE.

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Mr. Briggs served in the city council when Terre Haute was evolving from the small town to rather metropolitan airs. He was in the council when the Cole belt sewer was built, and when the first wave of street paving rolled over this section. He served conscientiously and capably. His work as an educator was marked by the same fidelity and thoroughness. He contributed much to the work of collecting the historical records of Terre Haute and Vigo county, and was considered an authority on many of these things. He was a good citizen in all that the term implies.

PARALYSIS FATAL TO HERBERT BRIGGS

Widely Known Educator and Historian Succumbs to Attack of Brief Illness.

Herbert Briggs, 66 years old, 1909 North Eighth street, county probations officer and widely known as a historian and educator, died at his residence at 1:50 o'clock Saturday morning. Death came as the direct result of a stroke of paralysis suffered by Mr. Briggs last Wednesday morning while he was at his work in the juvenile department at the county court house.

Mr. Briggs was born in Otter Creek township, January 4, 1863, the son of Robert and Rosetta (Burnett) Briggs, both pioneer residents of the county. He had early traced his paternal ancestors back as far as William Marshall, earl of Pembroke, lord marshal to King John I, of England, and himself a signer of the original magna charta. His paternal grand-father was the first land owner in Otter Creek township and its first justice of peace, conducting the first preliminary murder trial which Vigo county ever witnessed.

Was Veteran Educator.

Mr. Briggs' early education was received in the county of his birth, his higher education coming from the Indiana State Normal school, and the Normal school at Flint, Mich. His first work as an educator came at the age of 18 when he secured a position as teacher in the Terre Haute schools. Within a short time he was promoted to the principalship of Montrose school, and afterward served also as principal of Greenwood, Collett and Harrison schools.

During all of this time, however, there was in Mr. Briggs' mind the idea of vocational training for the public schools and in 1914 he was made director of vocational training here. From that time on Terre Haute's school system along this line became a criterion for other cities of the state, and Mr. Briggs saw his early dream materialize into a big and fundamental idea of the modern school system in Terre Haute.

Drafts City Charter.

Entering public life, Mr. Briggs was also successful, serving as a member of the common council for twelve years and as a member of the board of works for four years. It was while he was a member of the council that he framed a new model for the government of Terre Haute, which went into effect as a state law shortly after its introduction as a resolution calling for a new charter, before the city council here.

This charter later became the model for many other cities of the state, and has never since that time been materially changed. Later he was instrumental in having passed the Indiana vocational law of 1913, and assisted materially in the passage of the Smith-Hughes bill before the congress of the United States, giving federal aid to vocational education.

Urged Study of History.

His work for vocational training having been brought to a successful termination by the passage of the Indiana vocational law in 1913 and the subsequent passing by congress of the Smith-Hughes bill in 1918, Mr. Briggs next turned his attention to the study of history in the schools of Indiana. For many years he worked alone in this regard, spending his own means, as he had in his vocational efforts and giving unstintingly of his time to the work.

When it seemed that every effort must fail, Mr. Briggs at last secured support from various historical and patriotic societies of the state and the state board of education finally decreed that Indiana history should be taught in every school of the state. Later, the state superintendent of public instruction approved Mr. Briggs' suggestion that local history be taught in all schools and this also is now a regular part of the curriculum of Indiana schools.

Mr. Briggs was united in marriage in 1890 to Miss Helen Cheatwood, of Spencer, Ind., to which union four children were born, Helen, Margaret, Herbert and Ruth. After the death of his first wife Mr. Briggs married Miss Laura M. Pound, which marriage was blessed with three children, Laura May, Jane Seymour and Eleanor Burnett. With all his outside interests, Mr. Briggs was yet a home man, and was a loving father and kind attentive husband, finding ample time to spend with his family while at his research work or at work on historical outlines.

Active In Civic Circles.

He was also a hard worker in the many organizations to which he belonged including the Indiana School Men's club, the Society of Colonial Wars, Founders of Patriots, Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of United States Veterans of 1812, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Vigo County Historical society and several others. He was also a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and always responded when called on to assist in its work.

He is survived by the widow, Laura Briggs; one son, Herbert Briggs, Jr., of Pittsburgh; six daughters, Miss Margaret Briggs, of New York; Mrs. Fred Hunter, of Earlham, Iowa; Miss Ruth Crane Briggs, of Reno, Nevada, and Laura May, Jane Seymour and Eleanor Burnett Briggs, all of Terre Haute; one brother, Edward M. Briggs, of Portland, Ore., and two sisters, Mrs. Carrie M. Crabb and Mrs. W. R. Halstead, both of Terre Haute.

The funeral, which will be held from the residence Monday, will be like his life, quiet but impressive, and will be private. Friends may call either Sunday or Sunday night. The ball-bearers will be students of his earlier school days, as was his request, all of them having been selected from among the pupils he taught while principal of Collett school, and all of whom graduated from that institution. Their selection Saturday was announced as Gerhard A. Monninger, Fred Stalaker, William E. Littlefield, William Wallace, Herbert Smith and Herman A. Collins. Burial will be in Highland Lawn cemetery.

HE GOES TO JOIN THOSE HE NEVER FORGOT— --“THE GREAT HOOSIERS”

BY MABEL M'KEE

HERBERT BRIGGS—scholar, teacher and lover of boys, is dead.

And men, who once knew the kindly leading power of the teacher, who never “drove” but always led his boys, grieved with those more recent little derelicts who had come under the direction of Herbert Briggs since he became head of the probation department.

Mr. Briggs was born on a farm near Terre Haute, coming from a race of pioneers from the county, his ancestors hav-

ing fought in the battle of Fort Harrison. He loved to grow things but he loved boys better, so he became a teacher.

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FOR 13 years he taught a country school. Then he came to Terre Haute and was principal of Rea, then the “Old 13th district, Collett, Harrison and Boys’ Vocational schools. In every school the love of the farmer boy to make things grow left a trail of beauty, for the yards of each building were planted with trees and flowers under his direction.

It was he who beautified the first school lawn in Terre Haute—that at Collett. Teachers of the school, then a new building, went with him to Collett park, secured some flowers from the management there as gifts, bought others and planted them in the school yard.

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LOVER of flowers and boys, he brought the two together. Knowing that beauty helps boys to be good, he often chose the school’s “worst boy” to help him springle the school

lawn and work among the flowers.

He had another hobby—the history of the county for which his ancestors had fought—Vigo. He wrote several Vigo county supplements for use in the city schools. When the county was 100 years old, he helped direct the celebration.

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HIS library was filled with histories about men who had made the nation—autographed copies of books and pictures of famous men he had known. Paul Dresser, Albert Beyeridge, Colonel Richard Thompson—and other men like

him, “Great Hoosiers” he termed them—those men lived with him daily in memory land.

He saw to it that they were honored on their birthdays. Newspapers were called by Briggs and reminded of the day. “They gave service,” he said. “The honor we can give them is little in return.”

Truly, Herbert Briggs—scholar, teacher and lover of flowers and boys—has gone on to join the men whom he never forgot to honor—“Great Hoosiers” who have journeyed the long trail. (Story of Briggs’ death on page 2.)

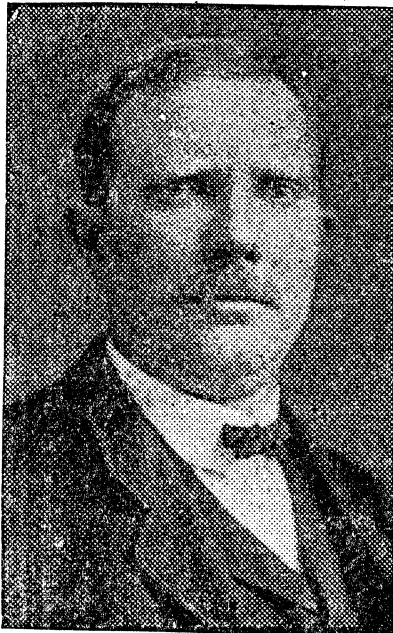
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TO THE PAUL DRESSER MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION: The death of Herbert Briggs, one of the charter members of your organization, reminds me that we’re still marking time on that proposition. If a call for more dirt to fill up the proposed memorial mound on the west grade is needed, let’s have it made. If any other aid is needed, let’s ask for it. But let’s not let this proposition go the way of many other unfinished things.

PA VIGO.

TRIBUNE. MARCH 8, 1929.

**HERBERT C. BRIGGS
SUFFERS A STROKE**



HERBERT C. BRIGGS.

Herbert C. Briggs, probation officer, former school man and member of the board of works, suffered a stroke of paralysis yesterday, and today was reported as sinking. He has done notable work in compiling historical data for this section.

MARCH 7, 1929.

BRIGGS IS BETTER

Herbert Briggs, chief county probation officer, who suffered a slight stroke of paralysis while at his office in the courthouse Wednesday, was reported better today. With considerable quietness and rest his doctors believe he will regain his health and be able to return to work before long.

STAR, FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1929.

**RECOVERY OF PROBATION
OFFICER IS DOUBTFUL**

Condition of Herbert Briggs, county juvenile probation officer and former city councilman, was reported as critical at his home yesterday. He sustained a paralytic stroke while about his duties in the Juvenile Court Wednesday and was taken to his home at that time, it being believed that his condition would improve, but his recovery is now considered doubtful.

POST MARCH 8, 1929.

BRIGGS IS "LOW"

**Little Recovery Hope Held
for Probation Chief**

Herbert Briggs, chief probation officer, who was stricken with paralysis while at work in his office at the court house Wednesday, is in a critical condition at his home, 1909 N. 8th-st.

Little hope for the recovery of the veteran probation chief is had by attending physicians. Dr. A. H. Caffee told The Post his condition was "very low."

Briggs, who has been with the probation department for close to five years, was for years a principal in the city schools, having served at both Collett and the Boys' Vocational school, now Gerstmeier Technical high school. Later he was in charge of the book department of the schools.

He is one of the best known of civic workers and is famed thru the state as a historian having written several Indiana history supplements for various histories.

Wedding Proves Real Surprise



Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Briggs last week gave their friends a surprise by being married quietly and going directly to their home in North Eighth street. Mrs. Briggs taught for a number of years under Mr. Briggs at the Collett School. Mr. Briggs has been in the service of the government of Terre Haute for 18 years, and with the close of his political life came the beginning of a happy married life.

SURPRISES FRIENDS BY QUIET WEDDING

1/7 - 1910 — Star
Herbert Briggs Announces Marriage to Miss Laura Pound.

Announcement yesterday that Miss Laura Pound and Herbert Briggs were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pound, 1815 North Tenth street, at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, was a surprise. Only the immediate families witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. F. O. Fraley. Until recently Mr. Briggs was secretary of the Board of Public Works, but at present he is president of the Terre Haute Stove & Furnace Company.

Monday evening he closed 18 years' service with the city and celebrated by getting married. Mrs. Briggs is a graduate of the Terre Haute High School and also of the Normal School, and was a teacher seven years in the Collett School while Mr. Briggs was principal. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs took no wedding trip, but went immediately to the home of the groom in North Eighth street.

BRIGGS SURPRISES FRIENDS BY MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Jan. 6, 1910 — Tribune
Retiring City Official Takes Miss Laura Pound, Local School Teacher, As Bride.

Herbert Briggs, member of the last board of public works, succeeded in springing a decided surprise upon his many friends in the city Wednesday evening, when he was married to Miss Laura Pound, who has been a teacher in the city schools for about seven years. A private ceremony was held at 7 o'clock, the Rev. F. O. Fraley, pastor of the Maple Avenue Methodist church, officiating.

Mr. Briggs will take his bride to his home, 1909 North Eighth street, immediately. Since retiring from his position on the board of public works he has given his attention to the Terre Haute Stove and Furnace company, in which he has been interested for some time.

Both bride and groom are well known all over the city. Mr. Briggs having been associated conspicuously with the Maple Avenue Methodist church, as well as various other organizations for a number of years. Mrs. Briggs has taught in the public schools of Terre Haute for a long time and is prominent in local society circles.

The Tribune's Plan for Industrial Awakening

By Herbert W. Briggs.

Dec. 15, 1909.



Co-operation is what we need to obtain a bigger, better Terre Haute. Everybody should get behind every proposition which is for the betterment of the city and push. They should fall in line and make "Terre Haute, first, last, and always," their slogan.

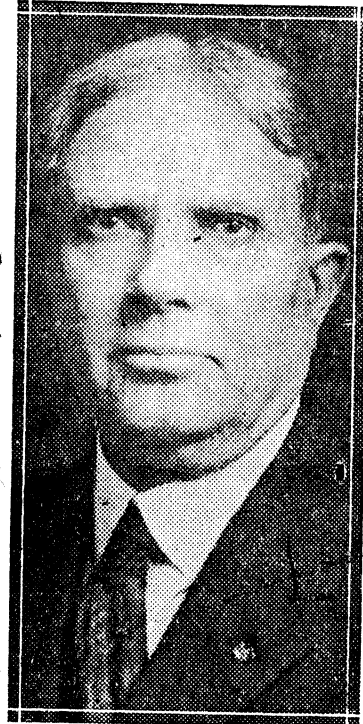
Terre Haute has many natural advantages. It is located on the great trunk lines of the railroad systems, east and west, and a north and south trunk line. It is near the center of population of the country. Look at the map and it will be seen that Terre Haute must have a wonderful future in store from the location and the surrounding natural resources. There are the fertile fields, the coal lands, the oil fields, and plenty of water. Railroad facilities are good and religious creeds are practically all represented. Commercial activity was slackened but the least during the recent panic which now seems but a dream to Terre Haute.

The school should be modernized with consistency to a city of Terre Haute's standing, that of an industrial center. The educators should plan now in order that they may have the future well in hand.

And I believe the day will come when future generations will be able to pick up the evening paper and see boats scheduled to leave for Chicago, just as the trains are today. The time will come when the Wabash will be deepened to Lafayette and then a channel will be constructed from there to the lakes. The Wabash is one of the most important streams in the middle west and will surely be developed for the north and south traffic and to touch the Indiana coal fields.

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HERBERT BRIGGS.

Herbert Briggs of Terre Haute, who will appear on the program of the state history conference tomorrow and Saturday, is largely responsible for the teaching of Indiana history in the schools of the state, which is now compulsory. Mr. Briggs will give a report at the Saturday morning session on "Indiana History in the Schools." He is chairman of the committee to promote Indiana history and local history in the schools of the state and is president of the Indiana Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

SHORT SKETCHES.

THE BRIGGS FAMILY.

THE BURNETT FAMILY.

THE CREAL FAMILY.

THE SEYMOUR FAMILY.

THE CRANE FAMILY.

THE TREAT FAMILY.

ROYAL ANCESTRY.

THE BRIGGS FAMILY.

The BRIGGS family was likely of Belgian origin and found its way into England with William the Conqueror.

The earliest known member of the family was William Briggs, a resident of High Newton, Co. Northumberland, near New Castle-on-Tyne, England. He was the owner of three small estates, namely Newton Lonelead, Newhouse and Park Cottage, Co. Northumberland, England.

William Briggs was married three times. The names of his first two wives are not known. The third wife was Ann Robson, who died January 10, 1843. A niece of William's second wife was Barbara Lilly, who was a charge upon William Briggs' estate during her life time.

William's only child was a son, John, by his first wife.

By his father's will, John, as an only son, inherited the entire estate at the death of Ann Robson Briggs, with Barbara Lilly remaining a charge upon it. Whether the property was finally sold, became the property by deed of Mrs. Isabella Blakey, sister of John Briggs' wife, or disposed of in some other way is not known.

John Briggs married, in England, Jane Douglass. He came to America with his wife and two children, William and John, in 1798; John being about one year old at that time.

After a trip at sea lasting about six weeks, he landed at New York City. He made his way up the Hudson river and over the Mohawk trail to Ontario Co. New York. Here he bought land and stayed awhile. But the call of the west was strong; so John and his family journeyed on. Reaching the head waters of the Allegheny river they found their way to Pittsburgh where they again rested; built a raft and floated down the Ohio river to Cincinnati; another rest; another raft and on down the Ohio to the Wabash. And now travel meant WORK! To pole that raft up the Wabash to Vincennes where they arrived in 1809 was a task for a pioneer with an unconquerable determination to lose himself in the forest primeval. He found this forest in Vigo county, having walked through the wilderness from Vincennes. He must have been here as early as 1812; for the records in Vincennes show that Mary Briggs, a child, helped mold the bullets for the guns during the night of the Battle of Fort Harrison. Mary's mother must have been in the Fort at the same time, while it is understood that John had returned to Vincennes to get and bring back the household belongings. We know from the early Vigo county records that he was established in Otter Creek Township in 1816, being the first settler of that community. On October 24, 1827 is recorded his land entry of 160 acres, being the S.E. qr. Sec. 29-13-8 in Otter Creek Township, Vigo Co. Ind., patent granted Oct. 1, 1831 signed by President Jackson.

Besides William and Joan Jr. who were born in England, other

children of John and Jane Douglas Briggs were Fannie, Margaret, Mary, Thomas and Robert.

John Briggs, the immigrant and pioneer, died in Vigo Co. Ind., September 14, 1846.

Jane Douglass Briggs, first wife of John, died in Vigo Co. Ind. September 23, 1824.

John Briggs' second wife was Sarah (Sally) Ford who died in Vigo Co. Ind. August 26, 1846.

John and both wives are believed to have been burried in the Markle Cemetery; though their graves are unmarked.

The records of the children of John and Jane Douglass Briggs are as follows:

I. William Briggs, born in England, died Dec. 17, 1847;
m. in Vigo Co. Ind. June 8, 1919, Mary Ann Maiden.
Children:

1. Alice Briggs, m. (1) Sidney Sering; (2) ---Reinheimer.

a. Byron David Sering m. Amelia Bannon who m. as her second husband John Joyce.

(1). Silvia Sering m. Raymond Yeager.

(a). Carolin Yeager.

(b). John Joyce Yeager.

2. Elvira Briggs m. Isreal Wood.

a. George Wood.

b. Alice Wood m. Louis Hauseman.

(1). Ethel Hauseman m. --- Harkness.

(2). Bermina Hauseman m. ---Anderson.

c. William Wood m. Olive Harrison.

(1). Mable Wood.

(2). Helen Wood.

3. Eliza Briggs m. James Armstrong.

a. William Armstrong. (Half brother to Fred Armstrong, Chief of Police; Fred being the son of the second wife of ~~William~~ has no relation to the Briggs family.)

James A.

4. David Briggs.

5. John Briggs m. Joseph Cole.
Joretta ---

6. William Briggs.

7. Henry Briggs.

II. John Briggs, born in England 1797; died 1875; married May 13, 1830, Sally Mounts, in Vigo Co. Ind.
Children:

1. Hamilton Briggs.
2. Jennie Briggs m. George Mesler.
3. Marie Briggs m. --- Justice.
a. Emma Justice.
4. Cynthia Briggs m. --- Lewis.
5. William Briggs m...
a. Orville Briggs.
b. Alma Briggs.
c.
6. Eva Briggs m. -- Davidson; --- Pugh.
a. Guy
(1). Hazel m. Wright.

III. Fannie Briggs m. Samuel McClatchey; no children.

IV. Mary Briggs b. Nov. 1805; d. Dec. 17, 1882; m. Aug. 14, 1824, George Wright b. July 11, 1801; d. Dec. 4, 1852.
Children:

1. Dau. *Ann* m. *Wm* Wood. *Vern. Co. Ind*
a. Jennie Wood.
b. George Wood.
2. Dau. *Jane* m. James Rush.
3. William Wright b. Dec. 4, 1832; d. March 18, 1890;
m. Oct. 14, 1852, Charlotte Robinson b. Sept. 25, 1833; d. Aug. 28, 1909.
a. Mary Wright b. Aug. 31, 1853; d. May 14, 1895.
b. George Wright b. Nov. 5, 1855; d. Jan. 2, 1929;
m. Josephine Holmes.
c. Josephine Wright b. Jan. 4, 1858; d. Nov. 19, 1862.
d. William Lincoln Wright b. Aug. 9, 1860; d. March 9, 1930
m. Rebecca Cale.
(1). Helen Wright m. Max Johnson.
(2). Sarah Wright m. --
(3). William Wright (Dr. in Fort Wayne, Ind.)
(4). Eleanor Wright m. Clifford Wampler.
e. London J. Wright b. Dec. 23, 1862; d. Jan. 13, 1863.
f. Glendora Gallena Wright b. Jan. 3, 1864; d. March 3, 1898; m. Hiram Pittenger.
(1). Inis Pittenger m. -- Kibby.
(a). Gallena Kibby.
(2). Harriet Pittenger m. Myles.
(3). Zua Pittenger.

- g. Charles M. Wright b. June 6, 1866; m. Dasie C. Smith.
 (1'). Cecil Wright b. Aug. 13, 1898; m. Eugene Boles.
 (2). Gertrude Wright b. Sept. 6, 1900; m. Jack Sisson.
 (3). Madeline Wright b. Nov. 20, 1906; m. Ed Chestnut.
 (4). Willhemine Wright b. May 30, 1909; m. H. Henschen.
 (5). Charles W. Wright b. Oct. 25, 1912.
 (6). Kenneth Wright b. May 30, 1919.
 (7). Charlotte Wright b. Sept. 30, 1920.

V. Thomas Briggs b. in Stuben Co. New York May 5, 1809; d. in Pokagon Mich. Dec. 2, 1870; m. in Terre Haute, Ind. Aug. 15, 1833.
 Margaret Havens b. in Ontario Co. N.Y. March 23, 1816; d. in Pokagon Mich. Dec. 7, 1882.

Children:

- 1. Walter Briggs b. Aug. 26, 1835; d. Dec. 24, 1907; m. Jan. 21, 1866 Seville Frances; (2) 1871 Eliza J. McKinney; (3) Apr. 11, '83

- a. Thomas Walter Briggs b. June 30, 1868
- b. Fred Briggs b. May 7, 1874.
- c. Edna Briggs)
- d. Emma Briggs) twins.

Marie Kingery

- 2. Calysta Briggs b. Oct. 18, 1838; d. Oct. 1, 1844.

- 3. Sarah Jane Briggs b. Nov. 6, 1841; d. March 14, 1917; m. Moses V. Gray Feb. 19, 1860.

- a. Perry Gray b. Dec. 2, 1860.
- b. Sarah Capitola Gray b. Dec. 25, 1866.

- 4. Adaline Briggs b. Feb. 23, 1844; d. March 23, 1844.

- 5. John M. Briggs b. Feb. 18, 1845; d. 1913; m. Jennie Tanner; April 4, 1867.

- a. Ordell Briggs.

- 6. Hannah Briggs b. April 12, 1847; d. Feb. 20, 1887; m. Feb. 14, 1886 Stephen Hart Norton.

- 7. Robert Briggs b. Jan. 30, 1849; d. Sept. 3, 1854.

- 8. Albert Briggs b. June 7, 1851; d. 1930; m. Oct. 12, 1876 Emma Micheal.

- 9. Millard Briggs b. April 18, 1853; d. Nov. 15, 1863.

- 10. Emma ^{Briggs} b. April 2, 1856; d. May 13, 1894; m. March 2, 1877 Almon Parker.

Two daughters b. and d. in infancy.

- 11. Mary Briggs b. July 14, 1859; d. Dec. 9, 1929; m. Jan. 8, 1885 Silas Kenoyer.

- a. Eldora, b. Burr; c. Elorine; d. Imogene; e. Lola;
 f. Margaret; g. Frances.

- VI. Margaret Briggs b. d. Oct. 3, 1887; m. Jackson Longdon.
 1. America Longdon b. 1838; d. Dec. 29, 1854.
 2. Belle Longdon m. ---Peak.
 Two children.
 3. John Longdon.

VII. Robert Briggs b. July 17, 1818; d. Aug. 27, 1874; m.
 1847 Rosetta Burnett 1823; d. 1868.

Children:

1. Grover S. Briggs b. 1848; d. Oct. 27, 1851.
2. Lucius Reynolds Briggs b. Aug. 30, 1850; d. Apr. 23, 1852,
3. Mary Briggs b. Nov. 30, 1852; d. Dec. 20, 1854.
4. Caroline Briggs b. Nov 14, 1854; m. James H. Crabb.
 - a. Rosamond Crabb m. Theodore Clifford Evans.
 - b. Edith Crabb.
 - c. Caroline Dove Crabb m. J.E. Sayre.
 - (1). Stanley Sayre b. Sept. 1918.
 - d. Ethel Josephine Crabb b. Jan. 2, 1883; d. Feb. 16, 1913; m. Fred Daniels.
 - (1). Gilbert Daniels b. Dec. 12, 1909; m.
 - (2). Elizabeth Daniels b. Jan. 17, 1913.
 - e. Robert Edward Crabb.
 - f. James Herbert Crabb.
 - g. Merrill Warren Crabb b. Sept. 15, 1893; m.
- Willma Keonoe.
 - (1) Dorothy Ruth Crabb b. May 31, 1918.
 - (2) Marriam Caroline Crabb b. March 1925.
5. Ella Grover Briggs b. March 10, 1857; m. (1). Alfred B. Pegg; (2). Dr. W. R. Halstead.
6. Edward Morton Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1858; m.
 - a. Lola Briggs.
 - b. Clarence Briggs.
 - c. Robert Briggs.
 - d. Arthur Briggs.
 - e. Morton Briggs.
 - f. Lloyd Briggs.

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7. Herbert Briggs b. Jan. 4, 1860; d. March 9, 1929; m. (1). Oct. 22, 1890 Helen E. Wheatwood b. April 19, 1868; d. Sept. 24, 1908; (2). Laura Pound, Jan. 5, 1910.
 - a. Margaret Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1894.
 - b. Helen Briggs b. Dec. 31, 1894; m. Fred Hunter.
 - (1). Margaret Paige Hunter b. Nov. 1929.
 - c. Herbert Briggs b. Feb. 25, 1898; m. Sept. 12, 1923
 - Mary A. Boles.
 - d. Ruth Crane Briggs b. Dec. 9, 1901.
 - e. Laura May Briggs b. Jan. 16, 1911.
 - f. Jane Seymour Briggs b. May 9, 1914.
 - g. Eleanor Burnett Briggs b. March 2, 1921.

8. Josephine Briggs b. Feb. 19, 1863; d. Sept 1902; m.
March 2, 1892 Edward Ralph Crabb.

- a. Edward Fowler Crabb.
- b. Robert Watson Crabb.

9. Ida May ^{Briggs}~~Crabb~~ b. Sept. 4, 1865; d. Dec. 1906; m.
Mathias Palmer.

- a. Lois Palmer.
- b. Bliss Palmer.
- c. Edith Palmer-Pierson. (Name changed by adoption).
- d. Ruth Palmer-Perkins.
- e. Haven Palmer-Perkins.

Following are copies of letters which will likely be of interest to all present and future generations of the Briggs family. These are letters written to John Briggs, the immigrant and pioneer, by

1. Adam Little, administrator of the estate of William Briggs, dated February 15, 1843.

2. Thomas Rutledge, appointed by John Briggs to look into affairs of estate in England, dated Feb. 26, 1845.

3. Thomas Brown, dated March 9, 1849.

COPY.

Bellingham
Northumberland
Riding

February 15, 1843.

Sir;

I write to inform you of the Death of Mrs. Ann Briggs of Highnewton. She departed this life on the 10th of January last, after a long illness, and as the property belonging to your late Father William Briggs, which she held for her life, would, at her decease, fall to you, as your Father's will, the particulars of which you likely know, was that the whole of this property, consisting of Newton Lonehead, Newhouse and Park Cottage should, at his widow, Ann Briggs, decease, become your property; but that Barbara Lilly (a niece of your Father's second wife) has by his will, to be maintained, kept and provided for out of the Lonehead, Newhouse and Park Cottage land.

By your Father's will, the late Mr. Michael Wright, of Carlton, and I were left Executors of the same and to act for the late Ann Briggs during her life time, and for you till you get in full possession of the respective properties. Consequently as I am the only Executor left, every thing that is necessary to be done concerning it has fallen to me; first to provide for the afore said Barbara Lilly, as she was left entirely destitute at the death of Ann Briggs. I have therefore put her up with a person named Michael Lelford, who is residing on the Place, and has to pay for her keep 5s a week and find her clothes. This is the only thing that I see to come against your property. I may further inform you that I consulted an attorney respecting your Father's will and he told me that she was legally chargeable against it.

The property is left as follows: Lonehead Newhouse to Thomas Temple, carrier of Graysgate, for 18 pounds 10s per annum, and Highnewton to Edwd Coulson of Bridgeford for 16 pounds per annum. A part of land off Highnewton to John Robson (brother of the late Ann Briggs) for 3L 10s per annum, and the house, garden and of land occupied by the late Ann Briggs, I have let to Edwd Coulson for 14L 10s per annum, to enter to next Mayday. I thought it most suitable for him, lying to his other land and not good fences between them, and he will immediately take in charge to keep the house and garden right. The rents of the estate will be due to you from the day of the death of Ann Briggs. I daresay they have been very regularly paid by Thos Temple and Edwd Coulson and between John Robson and Ann Briggs, I do not know. I think there is nothing further worth mentioning regarding the property. I suppose you will be not far from Mr Thomas Rutledge, Surgeon who left Bellingham in August last. I daresay he can give you any further particulars

regarding it that you may wish to know. You will please to write me informing me if you wish any alteration or changes regarding the place, and if you do not come here to see the property, give me directions where and when to remit the rents to you, and if you send any person to do anything, give them proper authority to do so, for, if any one comes without something to show I will not know whether you have sent him or not, and will dispute him. I had almost forgot to say that the cottage at the Park is in ruins. The garden is occupied by Michael Lelfer of Highnewton, and there was no regular rent paid for it to Mrs. Briggs.

I am Sir

Your Ob't Serv't
Adam Little.

COPY.

Bellingham
February 26, 1845.

Mr. Briggs
Sir;

Yours of the 29 of Sept. came to hand on the 22nd of Nov. The little Document from Mrs. Briggs is all sufficient. I have been doing my best to get your business windup. I was happy to see that you and Mrs. Briggs was enjoying good health; but sorry to see that Richard Muse was so poorly. I hope he is now better, and I think he will be wise to remain where he is.

On the 4th inst^l I received yours of the 29th of December, and seeing you urgent to have the business settled as soon as possible, I have sold the whole estate for the sum of 720 L, a little more than was bid at the sale. I thought I should have had more money for the Lonehead, but Barbara Lilly being likely to live awhile was a great barrier in the way. As the first payment will not take place before the latter end of March, seeing you were in immediate want of money, and I having 50 L by me, I herewith send you it in the shape of a Bank of England Bill. My brother has money of mine in his hand, but whether he would be in a state to advance any of it immediately is uncertain.

I have agreed to receive the money in Two payments; the first the latter end of March, the other in July. The conveyance deeds are not made out yet, and a full conveyance cannot be made until the money is paid. It shall not remain with me. I will send it in my next. I will be able to state particulars, the items of outlay and income. You inquire if / you may expect to see me in America again. That is a question I am not able to solve, I have suffered much this winter from disease in the lungs, yet I am better. Two courses attended me, the first coming to America, the second that of returning home again. We have had a very mild winter altho' we have had a month of sharp weather. I have not been able to make out any of the Blakeys that you are acquainted with. My niece, Mrs. Dodds, is quite well and wishes to be remembered.

On the reception of this I will expect to hear from you.

I beg to remain Dr. Sir

Yours Ever Truly and Sincerely
Thomas Rutledge.

Your Most Ob't Serv't
Thomas Brown.

THE BURNETT FAMILY.

Our branch of the Burnett family seems to have come from Scotland, though it is found earlier in England, and the "Saxon family of Burnard" is listed in the Domesday Book. In 1324 Alexander de Burnard (Burnet) obtained from King Robert Bruce a Charter of Killenacholerack and certain lands of Drum.

Burk's General Armory mentions thirteen families in England of the name of Burnard, Burnet, Burnett as having coats of arms, one of which is as follows:

Argent: Three holly leaves in chief proper, and a hunting horn in base, sable, garnished gules.

Crest: A hand issuing out of a cloud about to prune a vine fruited, all proper.

Supporters: Dexter, a Highlander in hunting garb; Sinister, a greyhound, both proper.

Motto: VIRESKIT VULNERE VIRTUS. (Virtue flourishes from a wound.)

According to Sir George Mackenzie, the Burnets of Leys, Aberdeen Scotland, carry the hunting horn in their arms with the Highlander in hunting dress and the greyhound for supporters as indicative of their being the king's foresters in the North.

Argent or silver signifies Peace and Sincerity.

Vert or green signifies Hope, Joy and sometimes loyalty in Love.

Sable or black denotes Constancy and sometimes, but more rarely Grief.

Gules or red denotes Military fortitude and Magnanimity. It is also the Martyr's colour.

This is the same coat of arms and motto belonging to Dr. (Sir) Gilbert Burnet, Bishop of Salisbury, England, who was a nephew of Sir Thomas Burnet, the first Baronet of Leys, Aberdeen, Scotland. Our earliest known ancestor, Thomas Burnet, more than likely belonged to the family of Burnet of Leys, Scotland, and entitled to this same coat of arms; and thus it comes to us.

Sir Thomas Burnet, first Baronet of Leys, had a son Thomas and a son Robert. This son Robert had a son Thomas who was married in 1620 and had a son Thomas and a son William.

The earliest account we have of our ancestor, Thomas Burnet, is found in volume I of the Genealogical and Memorial History of the state of New York, published by the Lewis Historical Publishing Company. On page 319 is the following record:

"Thomas Burnet, born in Scotland, emigrated to Massachusetts and removed to Southampton, Long Island, where he received his allotment of land October 6, 1643, and where he died, his will being prpved December 1684. Married (second) in Lynn, Mass. Dec.3, 1663, Mary Pierson; eleven children by his two wives." Mary Pierson was the daughter of John Pierson.

Whether this Thomas Burnet is the same Thomas Burnet mentioned as the son of Thomas Burnet who was married in 1620, has not been determined. We presume that they are one and the same. Some one of the descendants is at liberty to make a trip to Scotland and verify or correct this theory.

The following is a statement found in a History of Essex County, New Jersey:

"The Burnett family is probably as numerous as any other in the state and has always been very prominent in public affairs and in moulding those events which form the history of the Commonwealth. Liberal and public spirited, its representatives largely promoted education, moral and material interests, and left the impress of their individuality upon public life."

In the following record, no effort has been made to carry out lines other than the one leading to Justus Burnett who married Lois Crane, father and mother of Stephen Grover Burnett. For instance, Thomas Burnet, the Immigrant, had eleven children, but we are concerned only with his son, Aaron.

I. Thomas Burnet, born in Scotland; d. 1684; m.(1) -----; (2) Dec. 3, 1663 at Lynn, Mass, Mary Pierson (Pearson) b. June 20, 1643, daughter of John Pierson. Thomas, by his first wife had a son

1. Aaron Burnet b. 1655; d. 1755; m. Elizabeth ---; moved from Southampton, Long Island, New York to Madison, New Jersey in 1735 and is buried in the old Church Yard there. Aaron and Elizabeth Burnet had a son

Aaron Burnett

Aaron Burnett Jr. b. ~~1720~~; d. 1791; m. Sarah Squires; They had a son

William Burnett, b. in Madison New Jersey; d. 1805-6; m. Mary Miller b. 1726 d. 1787.

William Burnett served in the Revolutionary War as a private in the New Jersey state troops, and in the Continental Army. To complete a record for the Societies of the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution the following references will be needed:

Jerseymen in the Revolution, by Stryker, pp 159 & 526.

History of Southampton, Long Island, New York; chapter on Burnett Geneology.

Records of the First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell, N.J. Crane Geneology, by E.B. Crane Vol. II, p 343.

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at Greenfield, Saratoga County, New York. In 1814 he moved to Canada and in the spring of 1820, he started on an exploring expedition, through the western country, visiting Pittsburg, Shawneetown, and Saint Louis and back through Vincennes, Terre Haute, Fort Wayne, and Fort Meigs to St. Davids, his original place of embarkation. During his return trip, at the crossing of Wild Cat, above what is now Lafayette, he and his companions, four in number, were surrounded by Indians of the Miami tribe and robbed of every thing they had; Mr. Burnett losing 180 dollars of U.S. currency.

On the 2nd of May 1821. Mr. Burnett, wife and child (Linus) with Anthony Creal, Thomas Lyons and Edward Stocking left London, on the River Thames, upper Canada, in a Pirouge made by himself and Mr. Lyons of white pine, which was their only conveyance to Terre Haute. They passed down the Thames to Lake St. Clair and across the lake to Detroit, then to Maumee Bay, up the Maumee river to Fort Meigs, thence to Fort Wayne. Here they hauled their pirouge across the land to Little River, a tributary of the Wabash, thence down to Terre Haute where they landed June 14, 1821.

Mr. Burnett first settled in Otter Creek township then removed to Nevens, where he has since resided, respected by his neighbors and fellow citizens, holding the office of Magistrate among them for many years.

He had been suffering with dropsy for the last 18 months. Death approached him slowly; he knew he could not last long, yet he never murmured; but was resigned and hopeful to the last and ^{the} only regret he expressed was that he could not live to see the Rebellion crushed out and peace once more restored to his unhappy country."

The military record of Stephen Grover Burnett is contained in the following letter which is self explanatory;

No. 1920124.

War Department, Washington D.C.
June 6, 1912.

Mr. Herbert Briggs
Terre Haute, Ind.

The records of the war department show that Stephen G. Burnet, also borne as Stephen Burnett, a native of Caldwell, New Jersey, enlisted June 23, 1814, at New York, New York, and was assigned as a private to Richard L. Howell's Company, United States Artillery, and was honorably discharged May 12, 1815 at New York, New York by reason of expiration of service; a private.

Signed

P. H. Hall

Adjutant General.

After the death of Hannah Creal Burnett, Stephen Grover married as a second wife, Anna Scully, and as a third wife, the widow, Katie Adams who was affectionately known as Aunt

Katie and was a lovable grandmother as well as mother to the step-children. She had three children by a former marriage one of whom was Martha Adams. Martha married a Mr. Stuthard. This gives us the near relation of the Stuthard family.

Children of Stephen Grover and Hannah Creal Burnett:

1. Linus Anthony Burnett b. in Canada July 8, 1818;
- m (1) Ellen Hall; (2) Elizabeth Stevenson; (3) -----Topping.
 - a. Rosamond Burnett married John Fred Meacham.
 - b. Octavia Burnett m. Dr. William C. Eichelberger.
 - (1). Harry Eichelberger. 7-4-1879 - d. July 18, 1888.
 - c. Lulu Burnett m. William Wright.
 - (1) Louise Wright.
 - (2) William Wright Jr.
 - d. Alice Burnett m. ---Ferguson.

~~123~~ Rhoda Burnett m. Andrew Hevener.
m.

~~137~~ Rosetta Burnett Robert Briggs. (See Robert Briggs of the Briggs Family sketch.)

~~147~~ Hannah Burnett m. Harrison Nevins. *Rose*
Dolly Nevins *Rhodes Vorhees* *Huxford*.
Rose Nevins.
Virgil Nevins.
John Nevins.
William

~~154~~ William Burnett served in the Civil War 1861-64; enlisted as a private, was made corporal and was honorably discharged from Co. H. 133rd regiment at Indianapolis, Ind. He married (1) Mary e. Cunningham; (2) Margaret Denny.

a. Sidney Edward Burnett b. 1855; d. 1930; m. Jessie Smith.

- (1) Edward Jesse Burnett.
- b. Linus Albert Burnett m. Ruth Dean.
Eight children.
- c Stephen Grover Burnett m. Florence Barbier.
- d. Hannah E. Burnett m. William M. Staggs.
- e. William Burnett.
- f. Mardella Burnett m. John LeMay.
Twelve children.
- g. Jesse Morton Burnett.
- h. Otis LeFou Burnett m. Anna M. Wiggins.
Four children.

THE CREAL FAMILY.

The CREAL family in America seems to have been founded by two brothers, one of whom was named John, who came to America from Wales about 1700. The family name was originally McCreal, but the Mc was dropped soon after the brothers came to this country. The brother whose name is unknown went to Barber Co. Virginia and John remained somewhere in the north, probably in Connecticut. Each brother had a needle book or "housewife" when they came to America. A portion of John's is now owned by William Creal, or some member of his family, of Warren, Pa. In recent years, Charles Creal, a member of this family lived in Jamestown, New York, and visited the Creal family of this community (Vigo Co.)

John McCreal or Creal had several children among whom was Anthony, known as Anthony I.

Anthony Creal I was born Dec. 13, 1770; died March 17, 1817, killed by the falling of a tree. He was married October 10, 1793 at Ballstown, Saratoga Co. New York to Hannah Seymour, daughter of Ezra Seymour and Abigail Waterbury Seymour. Hannah Seymour Creal was born April 8, 1770, at Ballstown, New York, and died Nov. 8, 1850 at the home of her daughter Hulda Creal Rawley, Centerville Township, Crawford Co. Pa.

Children of Anthony I and Hannah Seymour Creal:

1. Benton Creal b. Sept. 1794; d. Aug. 24, 1831.
2. Henry Seymour Creal b. Dec. 4, 1796; d. May 19, 1876;
m. 1826 Theresa Rook b. 1812; d. 1839.
(Line of Mrs. Bird of Kansas City.) 1854.
3. Hannah Creal b. March 2, 1799; d. Dec. 7, 1829; m.
Stephen Grover Burnett. (See Stephen Grover Burnett of the
Burnett sketch.)
4. Anthony Creal II b. Nov 22, 1800; d. Nov. 27, 1873;
m. in Vigo Co. Ind Dec. 5, 1825 Malinda Williams b. in Kentucky
Jan. 10, 1806; d. Sept. 1878.

Children:

- (1). Mary Ann Creal b. Aug. 28, 1826; d May 5, 1902
at Donaldson, Neb.; m. (1) Thomas Adams son of Katie Adams
Burnett, third wife of Stephen G. Burnett; (2) David Strange.
 - a. Samuel Adams m. Margaret Conley.
 - b. Cornelia Adams m. Fred Philips.
 - c. Walter Strange.
 - d. Ed Strange.
 - e. Minnie Strange m. Otto Newhart.

Sept.

- (2). Harriet Creal b. ~~Oct~~ 3, 1828; d. Sept 3, 1880.

(3). Henry Seymour Creal b. Oct. 12, 1830; d. Nov. 1, 1880;
m. Oct. 28, 1859 Hannah Mariah Gray b. Dec. 13, 1840.

4. Joseph Anthony Creal b. Aug. 5, 1860; m. Dec. 3,
1885 Mollie Christopher. (1)

Ethel Edna Creal b. Jan 25, 1893; m. Sept. 1, 1900

David Johns; (2) Verd Carr.

Arthur Johns.

Margaret Josephine Johns.

--- daughter.

b. John Wesley Creal b. Oct. 5, 1862; m. April 22, 1891 Carrie Lockwood.

Helen Creal m. John Baker.

Donald Baker.

Virginia Baker.

Kathrine Baker.

Clide Creal m. Margaret Whippo.

Rosemary Creal.

Robert Creal.

Ruth Creal.

c. Sarah May Creal b. Oct. 20, 1865; d. Feb. 26, 1897;
m. Oct. 20, 1887 George Maier b. March 22, 1863; d. Jan. 28, 1901.

(Brother to Mrs. Gable.)

Son b. & d. Aug. 6, 1888.

Robert W. Maier b. Nov. 30, 1889; d. Oct. 26, 1896.

Carrie E. Maier b. Feb. 22, 1893; d. Jan. 21, 1894.

Elsie May Maier b. Oct. 7, 1894; m. ~~March 22, 1914~~

July 5, 1914 William Fox.

Hershal Fox.

Marion Fox.

Mariam Fox.

d. Dora Edna Creal b. Feb. 11, 1867; d. Oct. 26, 1880.

e. Herbert Henry Creal b. July 30, 1871; m. Oct. 9,
1895 Jessie Ellen Simmons.

Lesley Seymour Creal b. Nov. 24, 1896; m. -- Brent.

Marjorie Creal.

James Creal.

Florence Helen Creal b. July 23, 1899.

Mable Mariah Creal b. Jan. 30, 1901; m. Reid Notter.

Thomas Notter.

f. Edith Edna Creal b. Feb. 11, 1879; m. June 21, 1899
McDurman Smith.

Roy McDurman Smith m. Rella May Mooneyham.

Maxine Helen Smith.

Kathrine Mariah Smith.

Ralph Creal Smith m. Thelma Marie Mooneyham.

Donna Mae Smith.

Norma Lucile Smith.

Cecil Evelyn Smith m. Fred King.

William Paul Smith.

Hazel Smith.

(4). Hulda Creal b. Jan. 21, 1833; d. April 18, 1908 at Benton Harbor, Mich; m. Dec. 16, 1858 Thomas Thompson Hobbs b. May 2, 1830; d. Jan. 28, 1901. 1927

a. Fredrick Anthony Hobbs b. Nov. 26, 1858; d. Feb. 11, 1882, Nettie Stephenson.

Laura May Hobbs b. May 1, 1883.

Edith Hazel Hobbs b. Dec. 15, 1885.

Lavina Hobbs b. Dec. 15, 1888; d. Aug. 1, 1889.

Fred Stephenson Hobbs b. Aug. 1, 1893.

b. Mary Malinda Hobbs b. March 5, 1862; m. June 14, 1883 Frank Rindge Gilson.

Frank Gilson b. Dec. 30, 1884; d. July 4, 1904.

c. Ella Kate Hobbs b. Nov. 12, 1863; m. Nov. 13, 1892 Robert Arthur Smythe d. Jan. 8, 1926 at Benton Harbor.

Robert Fredrick Smythe b. Jan. 27, 1904. *July 1948*

d. Octavia Hobbs b. Sept. 25, 1866; m. Aug. 21, 1892 Willard Sherman Bracken d. April 18, 1928 in Chicago.

Thomas Stanford Bracken b. June 8, 1893 in Paris, France; d. Jan. 11, 1899 at Benton Harbor, Mich.

(5). Hannah Kathrine Creal b. Sept. 2, 1835; d. March 26, 1838.

(6). Malinda Creal b. June 30, 1838; d. Sept. 4, 1839.

(7). Mark Anthony Creal b. Oct. 12, 1840; d. Oct. 12, 1906; m. Feb. 14, 1865 Cathrine Dove Gray b. April 7, 1845; d. Aug. 25, 1926. *4/12/7. 40*

a. Oscar Creal b. Feb. 11, 1866; m. Oct. 15, 1890 Nettie Florence Beal.

Bertha Edora Creal b. Aug. 30, 1892; d. Mar. 17, 1898.

Mark Anthony Creal b. March 23, 1899; d. July 29, 1926; m. Sept. 4, 1923 Hazel Hansel b. May 4, 1902.

Fred Anthony Creal b. July 2, 1926.

b. Hubert Creal b. March 22, 1869; d. April 14, 1881.

c. Charles Theodore Creal b. Jan. 9, 1872; d. June 3, 1918; m. Jessie Beal.

Goldie Creal m. --- Snow.

James Robert Snow.

Charlotte Snow.

Gladys Creal m. Stephen Wools.

Helen Almyra Wools.

Charlotte Creal.

d. Lena Luella Creal b. Nov. 4, 1878; d. Oct. 7, 1879.

e. Wilfred Ahi Creal b. Aug. 31, 1880; d. Dec. 24, 1880.

(8). Martha Jane Creal b. March 25, 1843; d. June 25, 1844.

(9). John Wesley Creal b. May 16, 1848; d. May 1876; m. Lillie Belle Philips who m. as her 2nd hus. Everett Evans. *L. 1859 - 1875*

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July 6 - no year -

Mrs. Abbie Creal Clark . 52 yrs

survived by husband J. W. F. Clark

2 sons - Creel & Wilbur Clark

1 dau. Jane Clark

fine sisters.

Mrs. L. H. Abbott } T. H. Abbott

Mrs. L. L. Ross }

Mrs Paul Newton - Rosedale

Mrs. M. Van Prooyen -

Clinton, Ind

Mrs. W. H. Christopher

Tippencanoe City, Ohio -

three brothers

James B. Creal - Detroit

Charles F. Clinton

D. H. F. Indianapolis

5. Lavina Creal b. Aug. 29, 1802.

6. Rebecca Creal b. July 22, 1804.

7. Hulda Creal b. April 15, 1806; m. -----Rawley.
(1). George Rawley.
(2). Henry Rawley.
(3). Marion Rawley.

8. Wynant Creal b. Dec. 10, 1807.

9. Lewis Creal b. May 22, 1809; d. 1848; m. Aug. 15, 1832
Nancy Messer. (1)

a. James Lewis Creal b. May 2, 1833; m. 1853 Malinda
(Roselinda) Burnett; (2) Amanda Havens.

William Lewis Creal m. Mary Etta Maier (Creal-Gable).

William L. Creal m.

William Creal.

b. Dove Creal m. Zoon Doty.

Edna Doty m. ---Haas.

c. Rose Creal.

h. Abbie Creal.

d. Ida Creal.

i. Ova Creal.

e. Charles Creal.

j. James B. Creal.

f. Bessie Creal.

k. Benjamin Creal.

g. Carrie Creal.

10. George Creal b. Aug. 24, 1811.

11. Curtis Creal b. May 13, 1814; m. --- Dotys)

a. Henry Creal m. (1) Elizabeth (Lib) Graham; (lived with

Maud Creal m. Otis Stantz. (2) Barbara

Harry Stantz. (3) --- widow sly.

Arthur Creal.

Harvey Creal.

Millie Creal m. Thomas O'Rourk.

Carman O'Rourk.

Donald O'Rourk.

Edwin Arlie Creal m. Merl Ormes.

John Carlton Creal m. --

May Ruth Creal.

b. Mathias Creal.

c. Lutitia Creal m. Wm Stultz; (2) Frank Adams.

Mary Stultz; Gladys Stultz?

Blanch Stultz? Homer Stultz?

2nd wife { d. Benton Creal m. (1) Sarah Killion; (2) Ella Combs.
e. Mary Creal m. Benjamin Richards.

Lillian Richards.

THE SEYMOUR FAMILY.

Arms; Quarterly; 1 and 4. or, on a pile gules, three lions passant regardant of the field, langued and armed, azure, between three fleurs-de-lis of the last (Augmentation granted 15 Aug 1547 by Edward VI of England); 2 and 3, gules, two wings conjoined in lure, tips downward, or (Seymour).

Crest; Out of a ducal coronet or a demi-phoenix in flames, proper.

Motto; Foy pour devoir. (Faith for trust.)

Saint Maur-rus-Loire in Touraine, near Saumur, France, was the site of any early Benedictine monastery founded by Saint Maurus and destroyed by the Normans in the ninth century. From this place it is supposed that de St. Maur derived his surname. He came into England as one of the companions of the Conqueror in 1066 A.D. and is believed to have been the ancestor of the St. Maurs of England.

Sir William de St. Maur, Knight, who about the year 1240 A.D. with the help of Gilbert Marshal, Earl of Pembroke, wrested Woundy and Penhow in Monmouthshire from the Welsh, and became Lord of the Manor of Woundy and Lord of Penhow, fixing his family seat at the latter place, where were located St. Maur Park and St. Maur Castle, and where the church was dedicated to St. Maur.

Sir Roger de St. Maur, (de Seimor), son of Sir William, Lord of the Manor of Woundy, 23 Henry III, as appears by an assize wherein it was found that "Roger de St. Maur ought to have house-bote and heybote at his house at Woundy by the moiety of Magor-park and upon his fee of Woundy by the fee offment of Sir Barth de Moor; in a grant by him of a messuage to Thomas Elliot, of the chapel at Woundy". His seal appended was a pair of wings, circumscribed Sigill, Rogrei de Seimore. He died before 28 Edward I. His son

Sir Roger de St. Maur (de Seymour) married Joan, daughter and heir of Damarel of Devonshire. Their son

Sir Roger de St. Maur (Seymour) married Cecelia, daughter and co-heir of John de Beauchamp, Baron of Hacche, Co. Somerset. Their son

Sir William Seymour of Even Swinden, Co. Wilts, Knight, married Margaret, daughter and heir of Simon de Brockburn, Co. Hertford. Their son

Sir Roger Seymour of Even Swinden, Co. Wilts, married Maud, daughter and co-heir Sir William Estrumy, Co. Wilts. Their son

Sir John Seymour of Wolf Hall, Co. Wilts, Knight, married Isabel, daughter and sole heir of Mark Williams, Mayor of Bristol co. Gloucester; m 30 July 1424; d. 14 April 1485. Their son

John Seymour, of Wolf Hall, co Wilts, Esquire, Sheriff of Wiltshire, 36 Henry VI; died 29 September 1463, the year before his father's death; married Elizabeth, daughter and heir of Sir Robert Coker of Lawrence Lidiard, Co. Somerset, Knight. Their son

John Seymour of Wolf Hall, Co. Wilts, Esquire, married Elizabeth, dau. of Sir George Darell of Littlecote, Co. Wilts, Knight. Their Son

Sir John Seymour of Wolf Hall, co Wilts, Knight, succeeded his father 7 Henry VII; one of the commanders who vanquished the Cornish rebels at Blackheath in Kent 12 Henry VII (1497) where for valiant conduct he was knighted by the king in the field of battle; Sheriff of Wiltshire, 23 Henry VII and 10 and 16 Henry VIII; served in the wars in France and Flanders, and in 1513 was made Knight-Banneret by Henry VIII for gallant behaviour at the siege of Theroung and Tourne and in action at Guinegate, called the Battle of the Spurs; Sheriff of Dorset and Somerset, 7 Henry VIII; obtained a grant of the Constablership of Bristol Castle to himself and son Edward, 9 Henry VIII; attended Henry VIII in 1518 at the interview with Francis, the French King, between Guisnes and Ardes, and at Canterbury 27 May, 1522 when Emperor Charles V. came to England; waited on Henry VIII as Groom of the Chamber in 1532 at the second interview with Francis, King of France at Boulogne; one of five Wiltshire appointed to inquire into the possessions of Cardinal Wolsey; died 21 December 1536, aged 60, and was buried in the church of Easton Preory, but in 1590 was reburied in the church at Breat Bedwin, Wilts, where a monument was erected to his memory by his grandson, Edward, Earl of Hertford. Sir John married Margery, 2nd daughter of Sir Henry Wentworth of Nealested, Co. Suffolk; Knight of the Bath; great-great-great-great-great grand daughter of Edward III, King of England, through Elizabeth, daughter of "Hotspur" died 1550. One of the daughters of Sir John and Margery was Jane, Queen of England, wife of Henry VIII and mother of King Edward VI. Their Son

Edward, Duke of Somerset, Earl of Hertford, Viscount Beauchamp and Baron Seymour, Lord Protector of England, was knighted at Roze, 1 Nov. 1523; esquire of the King's household 1524; a gentleman of the privy chamber March 1536; created Viscount Beauchamp of Hache, Somerset, 5 June 1536; Governor and Captain of the Isle of Jersey 7 July 1536; Chancellor and Chamberlain of North Wales August 1536; created Earl of Hertford 18 October 1537, and the same year had livery of his father's lands; elected Knight of the Garter 9 January 1540-1; as cousin and heir to Sir William Sturmy, Knight, he had livery of Sturmy's lands 1542; Lord High Admiral of England 28 December 1542; Lord Great

Chamberlain of England for life January 1542-3; Lieutenant-General of the North 5 March 1543-4; Liertenant of the Kingdom under the Queen Regent 9 July 1544; Lieutenant and Chptain Genreal of Boulogne 21 March 1545; created Protector of all the Reāāms and domains of the King's Majesty and Governor of His Most Royal Person 31 January 1546-7; High Steward of England for the Coronation of Edward VI; Lord Treasurer of England 10 February 1546-7; Earl Marshall of England for life 10 Feb. 1546-7; created Baron SeyMour of Hache 15 Feb. 1546-7; created Duke of Sonerset 16 Feb. 1546-7; Protector and Governor of the King and Realms patent 12 March 1546-7; victor over the Scots at Musselburg 10 Sept. 1547; deposed from the Protectorate and deprived of all his offices through machinations of the Eard of Warwiek 14 Jan. 1549-50; Lord-Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire and Berkshire 10 May 1551; condemned for felony 11 De. 1551. beheaded at Tower Hill, London, 22 Jan. 1551-2; buried in St. Peters' Chapel in the Tower, between Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard. Edward married Cathrine, daughter and sole heir of Sir William Filliol of Lanhton Washe, co. Essex and Woodlands, Co. Dorset, Knight. Their 2nd oldest and surviving son was

Sir Edward Seymour of Berry Pomeroy, Co. Devon, Knight, knighted for his valor in the battlê of Musselburgh 18-Sept. 1547; heir of his brother John Seymour; restored in blood by act of Parliament, 7 Edward VI, which described him as Sir Edward Seymour, Knight, oldest son of Edward, Duke of Somerset; had a grant from the King of the lordships and manors of Walton, Shedder and Stowey, Stoway Pak and the Hundred of Water-Stock, Co. Somerset, late the possession of his father, Edward, Duke of Somerset; Sheriff of Co. Devon; died 6 May 1593 and lies buried at Berry Pomeroy. Sir Edwarr married Mary, daughter and heir of John Walshe of Catengar, Co. Somerset. Their son and heir was

Sir Edward Seymour, Knight and Baronet; adminsitator to his father 18 May 1593; one of the knights for co. Devon; member of the first parliament of James I; created a Baronet 29 June 1611; died 11 April 1613; buried at Berry Pomeroy 27 May 1613. Sir Edward married 30 Sept. 1676 Elizabeth, dau. of Sir Arthnn Champerneune of Dartinton, Do; Devon, Knight; Their fifth son was

Richard Seymour of Berry Pomeroy, co. Devon England and Hartford and Norwalk, Connecticut; matriculated at Exeter College, Oxford, 5 Feb. 1612-3, at the age of 17; emigrated to Hartford, Conn. 1639-40; signed the agreement for the planting of Norwalk, Conn. 19 June 1650, where he settled and died. His will is dated 29 July, proved October 1655. His will and that of his son Thomas Seymour, is sealed with the arms of the English house of Seymour and the Seymour family Bible brought by Richard to America bears a full page crawling of the crest and arms of the Devon Seymours with this inscription

"Richard Seymour of Bedy Bomey, heytor hundred, in ye co. Devon, his book, Hartford, ye collony of Connecticut in News England. Annoque Domini 1640." In 1913 this Bible was the possession of Rev. Storre O. Seymour of Litchfield, Conn. and no doubt is still in the possession of some member of his family. Richard married Mary or Mercy Rashleigh; their second son was

Thomas Seymour, of Norwalk, Conn. His will was probated Nov. 7, 1612. He married Hannah, daughter of Mathew Marvin of Norwalk, Conn. one of the original settlers of Norwalk, January 1653³⁴. Their son was

Captain Matthew Seymour, born in Norwalk, Conn. May, 1669; will admitted to probate Dec. 19, 1735. He married Sarah, daughter of Samuel and Ruth Moore Hayes, born 1673; married 1690. Their son was

Captain Thomas Seymour, Born 1702, died April 11, 1796. He lived at a place called "White Oak Shade" near the intersection of the highways between Norwalk and New Canaan, Conn. He and his wife, Elizabeth were original members of the Church in New Canaan organised Jun 20, 1733; He was appointed Ensign of the train-band in the parish of Canaan in 1737; Lieutenant in 1743; Captain in October 1747. The surname of the wife is not known. Their son was

Ezra Seymour, baptized Aug. 2, 1736. His will was probated Dec. 18, 1815. He was a soldier in the American Revolution, serving in Captain Reuben Seofield's Co. 9th Regiment Conn. Militia, commanded by Col. John Mead. He married Abigail Waterbury of Stamford Conn. Their daughter was

Hannah Seymour, baptised Oct. 1, 1770, died at the home of her daughter, Hulday Rawley, in Centerville Township, Pennsylvania, Nov. 1859. She married Anthony Creal, known as Anthony, 1st, born Dec. 13, 1770; died March 14, 1817. ^{Oct. 10,} They were married at Ballston, near Saratoga, New York, in 1793. Anthony Creal's estate was settled in the courts of Mayville, Chautauqua Co. New York.

See "The Creal Family" sketch.

of Ezra Seymour

To complete records for the Societies of Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution, the following references will be needed: Records of the Congregational Church of New Canaan, Conn. Probate records of Norwalk Conn. vol. III p. 66. Records of Connecticut Soldiers of the Revolutionary war in Adjutant General's office, Washington, D.C.

THE CRANE FAMILY.

In Normandy is the town of Craon on the banks of the stream called Creanne. Here the family of Crane (Cranne, Cran, Crain, Craine, Crayne, etc.) originated, and like many other families, found its way into England with William the Conqueror.

In England, the name is first found in Suffolk co. where William de Crane is listed as among sixty-eight tenants of Sir William de Moynes.

The family became prominent and influential. Sir Ralph Crane was with Sir Frances Drake on the "Golden Hind" when he made the "first trip around the world" in 1577.

In 1619 Sir Frances Crane introduced into England the manufacture of curious tapestry and with the assistance of King James I, who contributed two thousand pounds to the enterprise, built the famous mills at Mortlake, Co. Surry near London, England.

Some were ambassadors to foreign courts, and one was Keeper of the King's Forests.

The Crane Coat of Arms which found its way to America is as follows:

Arms: Argent, a fesse between three crosses, crosslet, fitchee, gules.

Crest: A crane, proper.

Motto: Omnia vincit veritas. (Truth conquers all things).

The fesse is a belt of honor bestowed for courage in battle.

The crosses were given to the three members of the family who participated in the Fifth Crusade under the Knights Templars.

The crane is emblematic of the name.

Jasper Crane of New Haven, Connecticut and Newark, New Jersey, is the first of our branch of the family that we find in America. He was in the New Haven Colony on June 4, 1639 and signed the first agreement at a general meeting of all the free planters held in Mr. Newman's barn. He was a member of the General Court and for many years a magistrate. In 1665 he, with twenty-two others signed the first contract for "Milford" as the first settlement at Newark, New Jersey was called. In 1667 he headed the list of signers and church members of the first church at Newark and became one of the most influential and active men of the new colony. Jasper Crane and Robert Treat were the first magistrates of Newark.

In 1806, Newark was divided into three wards. These wards became separate towns and Bloomfield Ward was so thoroughly occupied by descendants of Jasper Crane that it was early called Cranetown. Jasper Crane was born about 1605; died 1681; married Alice --- (surname unknown). Their son

Azariah Crane born 1649; died November 5, 1730, known as Deacon Azariah Crane, was no less prominent than his father. He held many offices of trust. At his death he left his silver bowl to be used forever in the First Presbyterian Church in Newark where

he was deacon from 1680 until his death.

On April 19, 1698, the town of Newark voted that a committee of five should view whether Azariah Crane should be given land out of the Common for a tanyard. (This seems to be an inherited occupation through the Crane-Creal families.)

Deacon Azariah Crane married Mary Treat, daughter of Governor Robert Treat. She was born 1649; died Nov. 17, 1704. Their son

Stephen Crane died 1794; married Rhoda Holloway. Stephen Crane served in the Revolutionary War, with the New Jersey State troop in Captain Squires company, 2nd regiment, Essex Co. New Jersey.

To complete a record for the societies of the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution, the following references will be needed:

Crane Genealogy, E.B. Crane, pp 307-317-343.

Jerseymen in the Revolution, Stryker, p 562.

Littel's Passaic Valley Settlers.

Stephen and Rhoda Holloway Crane had a daughter

Lois Crane who died November 7, 1831 aged 64 and is buried at Hanover, New Jersey. She married Justus (Justice) Burnett.

NOTE: See The Burnett Family sketch.

THE TREAT FAMILY.

The Treat family existed in England under a variety of spellin (Tratt, Trott, Trat, Tret, etc), and is listed in the Taunton Manor Rolls as early as 1458. J.H.Treat in his Treat Geneology g gives us the following record:

John Trott, whose name is listed in the Taunton Manor Rolls in 1458, 1463, 1473, 1479. His son

William Trott, whose name appears in the calanders of 1503, 1504, 1510. His son

Richard Trott died about 1571; married Joanna ----. Their son

Robert Trott baptized probably in the hamlet of Trendle, parish of Pitminster, England; buried Feb. 16, 1599 in Pitminster; married Honora --- who was buried Sept. 17, 1627 in Pitminster. Their son

Richard Trett (Treat) baptized Aug. 28, 1584 in Pitminster, Engla died 1669 in Weathersfield, Connecticut; married April 27, 1615 Alice Gaylord, baptized in Pitminster, England May 10, 1594. Richard was baptized under the name of Trott, married under the name of Tratt, his children were baptized by the names of Trott and Tratt, and he was called Treat when he died.

He emigrated to New England about 1637. He was a man of great influence and high social standing in the colony of Connecticut, and filled many positions of honor and trust. He was appointed one of the deputy Governors of Connecticut by Charles II, King of England, in the Charter of 1662.

Membership in the Society of Colonial Wars may be based on the record of Richard Treat.

References:

Original Charter of Connecticut, granted by Charles II Ling of England in 1662.

New England Historical and Geneological Register, Vol. 25.

The Treat Family, John Harvy Treat 1893.

Richard and Alice Gaylord Treat had a son

Governor Robert Treat born about 1624, baptized Feb. 25, 1624 in Pitminster, England; died July 12, 1710 aged 88 (grave stone in Milford, Conn.); married Jane Tapp, daughter of Edmund Tapp. Jane died Oct. 1703 aged 75 (grave stone at Milford, Conn.)

Milford was early united with the New Haven Colony, and here w we find Jasper Crane and Robert Treat working together; each held in high regard in the community; each holding offices of tru

In 1654 the town of Milford chose Robert Treat as lieutenant of the Train Band. In 1661 he was elected Captain. August 7, 1673 Captain Treat was commissioned Kajor. November 26, 1673 Major Treat was made Commander-in-chief of such forces as shall b be raised in the colony.

In 1676 he was elected deputy governor of Connecticut and held this office till 1683 when he was elected Governor. This office he held till 1698 when he resigned at the age of 74. But he again accepted the office of deputy governor and retained it till 1708 when he retired at the age of 84.

As a token of honor the town of Milford, Connecticut has erected a Memorial Tower to Governor Robert Treat.

Governor and Jane Tapp Treat had a daughter

Mary Treat born May 1, 1652 in Milford, Connecticut; died Novem 12, 1704; married Deacon Azariah Crane.

NOTE: See The Crane Family sketch.

DESIGN

I stood by the loom of a weaver,
 And picked up a thread lying there;
I studied its color and shading,
 Examined their blending with care.

But nothing I got from my effort,
 No meaning, no plan could I trace;
No thought in the color apparent,
 Each seemed just by chance in its place.

I followed that thread through a fabric,
 Ah! color and tinting and shade,
Each fit to its place in the pattern
 And lo! a design was then made.

My life seems a strange intermingling
 Of shadow and sunshine and rain,
With seasons of trouble, then pleasure,
 Then hours that yield only to pain.

Its colors so changing- uncertain,
 No meaning, no plan can I see;
My life here by chance seems apportioned,
 'Tis only a chaos to me.

But yet when I look from hereafter,
 When years to their graves have all fled,
In the pattern God wove of Earth's fabric
 My life may have been but a thread.

Chester Fidler

EUROPEAN and ROYAL ANCESTRY
of
RICHARD SEYMOUR
of
BERRY POMEROY CO.DEVON, ENGLAND
and
HARTFORD and NORWALK, CONNECTICUT,
and
HIS DESCENDANTS IN AMERICA.

EUROPEAN and ROYAL ANCESTRY
of
RICHARD SEYMOUR.

As the descendants of Richard Seymour of Berry Pomeroy Co. Devon, England, and Hartford and Norwalk, Connecticut, have spread from coast to coast in America, so we find his ancestors in every nation of Europe; on every throne of Europe.

His English ancestry has been taken as a starting point. other lines are woven back and forth as the warp and woof of a beautiful piece of cloth, each thread woven firmly into the pattern.

Chart Number One.

English Ancestry.

1. Gaut, or the Great, about 190 or 200 B.C.
2. Godwulf
3. Finn
4. Frithwulf
5. Freleaf
6. Woden or Oden, "Father of Gods and Men" 70-50 B.C.
Drifid as-
wife Friga
7. Baldag
8. Brand
9. Fredegar
10. Frewin
11. Wigga
12. Gewisch
13. Elsea
14. Elisius
15. Cendic
16. Creeda
17. Cunerio
18. Ceawlin
19. Cuthwin
20. Cuthba
21. Chelwald
22. Cenired
23. Inigild
24. Koppa
25. Kafa
26. Alkenmund
27. Egbert the Great, King of Wessex, first King of all England 802-839 A.D.: married Redberga.
28. Ethelwulf, King of England 838-858; married Osberga, daughter of Earl Oslac, the Thane; (2) Judith the Fair of France.
29. ALFRED the GREAT, 849-901; King of England, founder of the University of Oxford, born 849, crowned 871, died Oct. 28, 901; Married Ethelbeth, daughter of Ethelred of Mercia.
30. Edward the Elder, or the Great, King of England, Seventh King of the Saxon Dynasty, founder of the University of Cambridge; died 946; married Edgiva, daughter of Elgellini, Earl of Kent.
31. Edgar the Peaceful, King of England, married Elfrida, daughter of Ordgar, Earl of Devonshire.
32. Ethelred the Unready, King of England, born 968, crowned 979, died 1016; married Elgiva, daughter of Earl Thored of Normandy.

33. Edmund Ironside, King of England, crowned 1016, died 1017; married Alghitha of Denmark.
34. Prince Edmund or Edward; married Agatha, daughter of Henry II, Emperor of Germany; born 972, created Emperor with his Queen Cunegunde, by Pope Benedict VIII 1014; died July 1034.
35. Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland, born 1046, died 1093-4; cannonized by Pope Innocent IV, 1251; married Malcolm III of Canmore, King of Scotland, crowned 1056; built the Cathedral of Durham; was son of Duncan, King of Scotland, murdered by MacBeth, 1094.
36. Matilda, died May 1118; married Henry I, Norman King of England, born 1070; crowned August 5, 1100; married Nov. 11, 1102; died December 2, 1155. Buried in Reading Abbey.
37. Matilda or Maud, widow of Henry V. Emperor of Germany, married April 2, 1127, Geoffrey V (Plantagenet) Count of Anjou, Duke of Normandy, died September 7, 1150; buried in Saint Julian Church, Mans. Matilda died Sept. 10, 1167.
38. Henry II, King of England, born 1133, crowned Dec. 19, 1154; died July 1189; married Elinor, daughter of William, Duke of Aquitaine, died March 31, 1204.
39. John, King of England (Plantagenet) born Dec. 24, 1166; crowned May 27, 1199, died Oct. 19, 1216; Granted Magna Charta June 15, 1215 at Runnymede; buried at Croxton Abbey; married Isabell, daughter of Amer XIV, Count of Angouleme, son of Louis, King of France; died Nov. 26, 1272; buried at Anjou.
40. Henry III, King of England, born in Winchester Oct. 10, 1206; crowned Oct. 28, 1216; died Nov. 16, 1272; buried in Westminster Abbey; married Jan. 4, 1236 Elinor, daughter of Raymond Beranger, Count of Provence, grandson of Alfonso, King of Arragon; died June 24, 1291.
41. Edward I, King of England, born June 27, 1239 at Westminster, crowned Aug. 19, 1274; married 1254, Elinor, daughter of Ferdinand III, King of Castile; died July 7, 1307.
42. Edward II, King of England, First Prince of Wales, born at Caenarvan, Wales, April 25, 1284; crowned July 7, 1307; murdered Sept. 21, 1326; buried in Gloucester Cathedral; married Jan. 23, 1308, Isabell, daughter of Philip IV, of France.
43. Edward III, King of England, born Nov. 13, 1312 at Windsor Castle; crowned Feb. 1, 1328; died June 22, 1377; ~~built~~ founded the Order of the Garter; married Jan. 24, 1329, Philippa, daughter of William I, Count of Holland and Hainault.

Lady

44. Elizabeth (Plantagenet) married Sir Henry de Bohun, *Earl of Hertford and Essex,*

Lady 45. Margaret de Bohun married Hugh de Courtney, *Earl of Devon.*

46. Sir Philip de Dourtney, *Knight* of Powderham Castle, died 1406; married Ann, daughter of Sir Thomas Wake of Blissworth, Co. Northampton. *Knight*

47. Sir John de Courtney, *Knight* second son of Sir Philip, died before 1415; married Joan, daughter of Alexander Champernoun, *Knight*.

48. Sir Philip de Courtney of Powderham Castle, born 1404, died 1463; married Elizabeth, daughter of Lord Hungerford. *Knight*

49. Sir Philip de Courtney of Molland, second son of Sir Philip married ---- daughter of Robert Hingeson.

50. Margaret de Courtney married Sir John Champernoun, *Knight of Modbury,*

51. Sir Philip Champernoun of Modbury married Cathrine, daughter of Sir Edmund Carew.

52. Sir Arthur Champernoun *Knight* of Darlington, Devonshire, married Mary, sister of Henry, Lord Norreys of Rycote.

53. Elizabeth Champernoun married in ~~1576~~ ¹⁵⁷⁶, Sir Edward Seymour of Berry Pomeroy.

54. RICHARD SEYMOUR of Berry Pomeroy Co. Devon, England, and Hartford and Norwalk, Connecticut, married Mary or Mercy Rashley of Devonshire.

NOTE: See "The Seymour Family Sketch."

Chart Number Two.

Second Line from
ALFRED the GREAT.

- 1 ALFRED the GREAT, King of the West Saxons, son of Ethelwulf and Osberga, crowned King of England 871, married Ethelbeth of Mercia.
- 2 Elfrida, married Baldwin II, Count of Flanders, son of Baldwin I and Judith of France, widow of Ethelwulf, King of England.
- 3 Arnold I, Count of Flanders, married Adela, daughter of Hugh Count of Vermandois.
- 4 Baldwin III, Count of Flanders, died at the Abbey of St. Bertain January 17, 961, after a reign of but three years; married Matilda, daughter of Herman Billung, Duke of Saxony.
- 5 Arnold II, the youngest Count of Flanders married Susanna (Rosalie) daughter of Berenger, King of Italy.
- 6 Baldwin IV, Pulchra Barba (Comely Beard) succeeded his father in 969 and died in 1036. He married Eleanor, daughter of Richard, Duke of Normandy.
- 7 Baldwin V, of Lisle, Count of Flanders married Adela, daughter of Robert II, King of France and Grand-daughter of Hugh Capet. Baldwin gave his daughter in marriage to William of Normandy and accompanied his son-in-law to the conquest of England. For his service on that occasion, a pension of 200 marks of silver a year out of the English Treasury was assigned to him and his successors. He died Sept. 1, 1067 and is buried at Lisle.
- 8 Matilda married November 2, 1043, William of Normandy, commonly known as William the Conqueror. He was the natural son of Robert le Diable, Duke of Normandy and "The tanner's daughter". He was born at Falaise 1027, and succeeded to the dukedom on the death of his father in 1055. Under the pretence of a right to the crown of England he invaded England in 1066, gaining the victory at the battle of Hastings October 14, and was crowned King December 25, 1066. He died in Rouen September 9, 1067.
- 9 Henry I, King of England, married Matilda.

NOTE: See number 36 of Chart Number One.

Chart Number Three

French Ancestry Part One

1. Pepin of Heristal, Ruler of the Franks, became Major Domus of the Franks in 687; died in 714.
2. Charles Martel (The Hammer) so called because of his victory at the battle of Tours 732; King of the Franks succeeded his father as Major Domus of the Palace in 714.
3. Pepin, the Short, born in 714 married Bertha, daughter of Count de Leon. He first established Parliament in France January 18, 757; he died 768.
4. Charles I, Charlemagne, King of the Franks and the Emperor of Rome, born probably at Aix-La-Chapelle; after his father's death, reigned over the Franks jointly with his brother Carloman until the death of the latter in 772. At that time he made himself master of the whole empire which embraced besides France, a large part of Germany. He attracted by his liberality the most distinguished scholars to his court, and established an academy in his palace at Aix-La-Chapelle, where he died and was buried January 814. He married the Swabian Princess Hildegard of Savoy.
5. Louis I succeeded his father January 28, 814. He married (1) Irmingard, daughter of Ingram, Count of Hasbania in Saxony; (2) Judith the Fair of Bavaria. He died June 20, 840 and was buried at Metz.
6. Charles II, the Bald, born 823; died 878. He married (1) Hermintrudis; (2) Richildis who became the mother of Judith the Famous Princess of France. She became successively the wife of (1) Ethelwulf, King of England; (2) Ethelbald, King of England; (3) Baldwin I, Count of Flanders, and by her third marriage was ancestress of Matilda, Queen of William the Conqueror.

7. Louis II, son of Charles II and Hermintrude, King of France and Emperor of Rome married Adelheld.
8. Charles III, The Simple, born 879; crowned King of France 920; died 929. In 911 he ceded Normandy to Rollo who married his daughter Giselda.
9. Giselda married Rollo or Rolf, who was a Norwegian Viking and took Rouen at the head of a band of Scandinavian pirates, and in 911 compelled Charles III to invest him with the region between the Seine and the Epte, which received the name Normandy. He accepted Christianity; married Giselda and recognized the King of France as his feudal lord.
10. William Longsword 927-934, Duke of Normandy.
11. Richard I, the Fearless, died 996, Duke of Normandy.
12. Richard II, the Good, 996-1026.
13. Robert, the Devil; Duke of Normandy.
14. William the Conqueror, King of England; married Matilda of Flanders.
15. Henry I, King of England.

Chart Number Four

French Ancestry
Part Two

1. Hugh Capet, King of France, married Adele, daughter of William Duke of Aquitain.
2. Robert the Pious, King of France, married Constance daughter of William, Count of Provence.
3. Henry I, King of France, married Anne, daughter of the Grand Duke of Russia.
4. Hugh the Great, Duke of France and Burgundy, married Adelheid -a binea descendant of Alfred the Great King of England.
(1)
5. Lady Isabelle de Vermandois married Robert de Belmont, Earl of ~~Leicester~~ and Mellent; (2) William de Warrenne, Earl of Warren and Surrey.
6. Lady Elizabeth de Belmont married Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Pembroke.
7. Richard de Clare, the Strong Bow, Earl of Pembroke, created by King Stephen 1138, Justiciary of Ireland and Guardian of King Henry II; died 1176; married Princess Eva, daughter of Dermot MacMurcha, King of Leinster, who was grandson of Diamand, King of all Ireland.
8. Isabell de Clare married William Marshall, Earl of Pembroke, Lord Marshall to King John, Protector of the Kingdom. He bore the Scepter at the coronation of Richard I. He was granted the Castle of Goedrich, Hereford by King John; he died in 1229.
9. Isabell Marshall married Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucester and Hereford. He was a Magna Charta Surety.

10. Richard de Clare married Maud, daughter of John de Lacy, Earl of Lincoln, a Magna Charta Surety.
11. Gilbert de Clare married Princess Joan de Acre, daughter of Edward I, King of England and his Queen Elinor of Castile.
12. Elinor de Clare married Hugh le de Spencer.
13. Sir Philip de Spencer married Elizabeth de Tabetot.
14. Sir Philip de Spencer II married Elizabeth -----.
15. Sir Philip de Spencer III married Joan de Cobham.
16. Sir Philip de Spencer IV married Margaret de Gousille.
17. Margaret de Spencer married Roger Wentworth.
18. Sir Philip Wentworth married -----.
19. Sir Henry Wentworth married -----.
20. Margaret (Margery) Wentworth married Sir John Seymour.

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NOTE: See The Seymour Family Sketch.

Chart Number Five.

Spanish Ancestry.

^h
Lanco, the Great, Emperor of Spain 1000-1035 A.D. married
Nugna Elvira, heiress of Castile.

Ferdinand I, King of Castile, married Sancha, heiress of the
Kingdom of Leon; died in 1065.

Alphonso I, of Castile and VI of Leon, married Constantia of
Burgundy. After her death he married in turn five other wives.

Urracca married (1) Raymond of FrCompte; (2) Alphonso, King of
Arragon. She died in 1126.

Alphonso VIII married (1) Berendare of Barcelona; (2) Michilda
of Poland. He died in 1157.

Ferdinand II married (1) Urracca of Portugal, daughter of
Alphonso I of Portugal; (2) Thersa of Lard; (3) Urracis Lopez.

Alphonso IX married (1) Thersa of Portugal, daughter of Sancho
I of Portugal; (2) Berengard of Castile.

Ferdinand III, King of Castile and Leon was canonized as a
saint. His first wife was Beatrix of Swabia, daughter of
Emperor Philip; second wife was Jane of Ponthiere.

Eleanor married and became Queen of Edward I, King of England.

NOTE: See Chart Number One, number 41.

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father's name. (Walter Briggs) and that
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Family Record

of

Thomas Gardner, "Plaster"

born in England about 1592

Cape Ann, 1623 or 1624; Salem, 1626-1674.

Name: Thomas Gardner was born at Supposedly in County of Dorsetshire, England, (Date) about 1592
He came from Weymouth, England in the ship chartered for Worcester and landed at Cape Ann, Mass. (Date) 1623 or 1624
Resided at: Salem, Massachusetts, after the year 1626
Died at: Salem, Mass. (Date) 29th, 10 Mo. 1674

**** Thomas Gardner and
Some of his descendants. By T.A. Gardner, M.D.**

Married ⁱⁿ England (Date) ^{been} Elizabeth White, sister of Rev. John White
Who was born at (Date) First May To ^{2nd} Danvers Shattuck, a widow
She was Daughter of who resided at Salem, Mass. (Date) 28, 9, 1674
and his Wife

Date	To whom	Born	Died	Son or Daughter of	Who resided at
	1 st Hannah. (2) Elizabeth				
	1 st Eliza (Elizabeth) Horne				
	2 nd Mrs. Ruth Turner				
	3 rd Mrs. Elizabeth Stone				
	Sarah Shattuck	1724	Jan. Widow Shattuck	Salem, Mass.	
	Priscilla Stoughton		" of Joseph Grafton	" "	
	1 st Mary White, the Mother of all his children; Married	12/7/1675	" of John & Elizabeth White	England; The Widow came to America (White)	
August 2, 1680	2 nd Elizabeth Paine		John 2nd		
	Ann Downing.	April 19 th 1713	Law. of Mr. Emanuel Downing, Gent. until 1638, a lawyer in London, England -		
	Ann (Downing) Gardner, Married second Governor Simon Bradstreet.				
	Benjamin Balch		Son of: John Balch " Planter"	Salem, Massachusetts	
	John Hill				
	Joshua Conant		Son of: Roger Conant, " Planter"	Salem, Mass.	

and Married 2nd Capt. George Burr

REMARKS

"Thomas Gardner, the first overseer of the plantation at Cape Ann, ^(MASS.) was born about 1592. After the two years at Cape Ann, he removed with Conant and others to Naumkeag in 1626. At a meeting of the London Company, July 28, 1629, he was mentioned as "one Mr. Gardner, an able and expert man in diverse faculties". In a deed recorded 11-11-1635, we find the following five names appended: John Endicott, Roger Conant, Thomas Gardner, Jeffrey Mosley and Edmund Batten. He was one of the original members of the First Church in Salem, a deputy to the General Court in 1637 and one of the "twelve men" of the town in the same year. He held also many other offices. Mr. George D. Phippen, in his valuable work "The Old Planters of Salem", makes the following allusion to the Gardners: "This surname has been known and respected throughout the entire history of Salem, and descendants are still numerous in this, the primitive abode of their ancestors." The district which Thomas Gardner did so much to found is at present ably represented in Congress by a descendant in the tenth generation."

Note: Mrs. Furllee M. Warner, of this city (Terre Haute) is one of his descendants.

* Founder of the Massachusetts Bay Colony: By Frank A. Gardner, M.D. Vice President of "The Old Planters Society." (about 1908)

Briggs Family

JANUARY 1, 1927.

NEW OFFICIALS AT THE COURT HOUSE

Changes Today Include Seating of
Newly Elected and Appointed
County Officers.

Beginning with Earl Mann and John P. Jeffries on the Superior and Circuit Court benches, respectively, the former succeeding Judge John E. Cox, and Judge Jeffries succeeding himself, there were many new terms of office begun at the court house today, but for the most part the office holders themselves were unchanged.

Will A. Church remains as prosecuting attorney with Will E. Littlefield deputy, and Mrs. Anne Richmond, stenographer. In Circuit Court Hiram Pittinger continues as bailiff, Miss Caroline Hyde as reporter, W. W. Brown as sheriff and Gerald Whyatt as page. Judge Mann's force will include Mrs. Helen Chipps as reporter, Chauncey Bailey as bailiff, and Ed Williams, page.

William T. Holmes is the new county commissioner, succeeding Thomas Mulvihill. Eli G. Lee becomes county assessor, Russell Myers succeeds himself as surveyor, and George Moorhead starts another term as township assessor.

The court house employees will remain practically the same with Dr. W. B. Hunt as county health commissioner, Charles F. Long highway superintendent, A. C. McGilvery custodian, Otto Burge night watchman, William Cook elevator conductor, Mrs. Teresa Gottschalk matron of the women's rest room, Clarence Milligan custodian of books and records, Newman, VanBorsom custodian of the monument, William Matherly fireman, and Jonathan Curtis, Henry Ervin, John Underwood and Alex White janitors.

The mine examining board will remain the same: George H. Richards, president; William Grieve, secretary, and James Morris, treasurer. Sheriff Foncannon will make no changes, retaining Albert Witherspoon as chief and Jess Troutman, George Withrow and John L. Staten as deputies. Coroner E. E. Hoff is another lucky man who succeeds himself.

Judge William T. Whitaker becomes Juvenile Court judge and Prof. Herbert Briggs chief probation officer, with William M. Bailey, Mrs. Helen Mahley and Mrs. Emma Sprouse as assistants.

In the township, William W. Risher succeeds William McGuirk as trustee, his assistant being Mrs. Clara Risher, with William Easterday also in the office. Dr. W. H. Bopp is township physician and Floyd Dix township attorney. Dix also is county attorney with Robert Catlin assistant.

Is Juvenile Judge



WILLIAM J. WHITAKER.

Attorney William J. Whitaker, member of the law firm of Duvall and Whitaker, was named yesterday by Circuit Judge John P. Jeffries as the judge of Terre Haute's first Juvenile Court. Many years ago the new judge served as probate commissioner and his "Instructions to Executors and Administrators," a small booklet prepared by him in 1908 and dedicated to the Vigo County Bar, is still much in use among those having dealings in the Probate Court. For years he has been a power in the Republican party and is considered one of the most able attorneys at the local bar.

JUVENILE COURT CREATED HERE

Judge Whitaker Accepts Post
—Change in Probate
Branch Rumored.

The rumored creation of a juvenile court became a reality yesterday when Circuit Judge John P. Jeffries announced that Attorney William J. Whitaker, former Probate Court judge, would sit as juvenile referee for cases of this kind now handled in the Circuit Court. Announcement of the appointment followed closely the decision of Judge Whitaker to take the post, which, it is understood, was tendered him some weeks ago.

With the announcement of the appointment came rumors of the proposed formation of the court, it being said that Judge Jeffries would name Mrs. Helen Mahley, now court reporter in Superior Court, as assistant probation officer and that she would handle the stenographic work of the new court and also that of the grand jury. There will be no clerk of the court, Judge Jeffries intimated.

Briggs to Prosecute.

Mrs. Emma Sprouse is the other assistant to Herbert Briggs, who Jan. 1 will become chief probation officer, and William Bailey, who has been in charge of this work, will become chief adult probation officer. Briggs, it is said, has been studying law and will soon be admitted to the bar so that he can handle the prosecution of the minor juvenile cases, the more important ones to be handled by Prosecutor Will A. Church, as in the past.

The room for the new court will be located in the basement of the Court House at the east end of the suite now being used by the probation department.

Nothing has been given out on the salaries to be paid the officials of the new court, it being understood that the county commissioners will fix the juvenile judge's salary after that body is organized Saturday. It was rumored that it would be in the neighborhood of \$2,500. It is not known what the salary of the stenographer will be, although stenographers in the other courts receive \$2,500 annually.

NEW OFFICERS ASSUME DUTIES

**Judge Mann Showered With
Flowers From Friends as He
Takes Superior Bench.**

Just as Friday was the fatal "last day" for three elective and several appointive county officers, yesterday was the long-looked for "first-day" of the same number of officials. It also was the first day for township officers and marked the beginning of second terms for five elective county and three elective township officials.

Three new county judges ascended their respective benches for the first time when Judge Earl M. Mann succeeded John E. Cox as judge of the Superior Court, Judge Paul R. Shafer became probate commissioner to succeed Judge Abraham L. Miller and Judge William J. Whitaker assumed jurisdiction of Vigo County's first Juvenile Court. Circuit Judge John P. Jeffries began his second term in the Circuit Court.

Judge Mann was greeted to his new post by Judge Cox, who has held that position for almost two decades, and he took his seat amid a bower of flowers from friends and loyal attorneys. Among those sending floral gifts were Dix & Dix, Attorney Hugh L. Barr and the Men's Brotherhood of the Methodist Temple of which Judge Mann is an officer.

Briggs Made Deputy.

In the Circuit Court Herbert Briggs, the new chief of the probation department, was admitted to the bar on the motion of Judge Whitaker, the new juvenile judge, and was then appointed deputy prosecutor for the juvenile court by Prosecutor Will A. Church. Mr. Briggs will handle the minor cases in the new court, only the major cases to be handled by Prosecutor Church.

JANUARY 2, 1927.

BRIGGS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW

Herbert Briggs, after qualifying as chief probation officer for the Juvenile Court Saturday morning, was admitted to practice at the Vigo county bar by Judge John P. Jeffries in Circuit Court on motion of Judge W. J. Whitaker, the new juvenile referee.

Following this ceremony Prosecutor Will A. Church appointed Mr. Briggs a deputy prosecutor for the Juvenile Court. This is in accordance with the program mapped out for the new Juvenile Court that Mr. Briggs will prosecute minor cases, relieving the prosecutor's office except in cases involving intricate legal questions.

DECEMBER 31, 1926.

Mrs. Mahley, in addition to acting as assistant probation officer with Mrs. Emma Sprouse, will serve as reporter for the Juvenile Court and will also act in this capacity at sessions of the grand jury, it is said. Beginning tomorrow William M. Bailey, who had been chief probation officer during the last term of Judge Jeffries, will become chief adult probation officer and Professor Herbert Briggs will assume charge of the department.

Briggs Well Qualified.

Mr. Briggs, at one time assistant superintendent of the city schools and later superintendent of the vocational training, is a newcomer in probation work, although his lifetime has been spent with school work and he is believed well adapted for the post. He is studying law touching on juvenile matters and will, it is understood, handle the minor cases coming before Judge Whitaker, leaving only the more serious cases to be handled by Prosecutor Will A. Church.

BRIGGS NEW HEAD OF GOOD WILL INDUSTRY

Other Officers for Year
Selected at Meeting in
Calvary M. E. Church.

Herbert Briggs was selected as the new president of the Goodwill Industries board of directors at a meeting held at the Calvary Methodist Church yesterday noon, other new officers being Jerry Shandy, vice president; George W. Splady, secretary, and the Rev. Grob, pastor of the church, treasurer.

New members of the board of directors are George Krietenstein, Russell Allen, Bruce Bindley, the Rev. C. C. Ford, the Rev. Gwylm Isaac, Judge John P. Jeffries, Judge F. S. Rawley, and Joseph Entwistle.

Report for the Goodwill Industries since the establishment of the enterprise by the Rev. Theodore Grob, March 12, shows that 45 different persons have been given employment in that time, working a total of 4,752 hours. Money paid out to the poor and needy has to-

taled \$608, all obtained from the profits of the industry.

Place Bags In Homes.

The industry places, on request, bags in Terre Haute homes. In these bags are to be placed articles such as wearing apparel or other small articles which may be restored to usefulness by repair or alteration. Of the 2,500 bags placed in Terre Haute homes, 1,203 have been collected, being filled. When the bags are filled they are collected by the management of the industry.

"We can hire more people," says the Rev. Mr. Grob, "if we can get more to work with. We have met with a remarkable willingness to give among Terre Haute people, and feel sure that they will respond again when it is learned that we can care for more bags than have been collected."

THE MAYOR-ELECT NAMES THREE MORE

APPOINTS HERBERT BRIGGS RE-
PUBLICAN MEMBER OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Harvey Jones For Chief of Police and
"Peggy" Smith for Street Commis-
sioner—Two Last Named Appoint-
ments Predicted by The Tribune.

Mayor-elect Lyons announces three
more appointments. They are:

Republican Member of the Board of
Public Works—Herbert Briggs.

Superintendent of Police—Harvey
Jones.

Street Commissioner—Samuel H.
Smith.

The appointments of Jones and Smith have been predicted by The Tribune for some weeks. The naming of Herbert Briggs was in the nature of a surprise, although it was known that the McKeen-Filbeck-Dickerson element, which supported Lyons in the city campaign, has been urging Mr. Briggs for the place.

Herbert Briggs is the principal of the Eighteenth District school and has been connected with the city schools for fourteen years. For twelve years he served as a member of the city council from the Collett Park ward. He was a candidate for the Republican nomination for mayor against Bidaman two years ago and again last year. Mr. Briggs has the reputation of being well versed in municipal affairs. By accepting this place Mr. Briggs will have to resign his place in the schools.

Spirit of '76

THE thousands of people who saw the Fort Harrison American Legion pageant at the stadium are still discussing "The Spirit of '76," the part of the pageant which vividly depicted the spirit of the men who signed the Declaration of Independence.

They were asked questions about it.

The idea of this feature came from Prof. Herbert Briggs, chief probation officer, who is one of the authorities on history in Vigo-co. Briggs hunted the men who took the part of the three men and studied features, choosing men who resembled the picture.

Briggs Family - Genealogy Files

Letters found in Briggs' papers prove interesting, cryptic

Clark, Dorothy

TO JAN 15 1978



Three letters found in the Briggs family papers proved both interesting and cryptic.

Correspondence between friends can only be fully understood if both sides' particular views on any given subject can be read, not just one side.

Written in 1925, these type-written letters on the letterhead of The Evening World of New York, came from Claude G. Bowers to his friend, Herbert S. Briggs, of Terre Haute.

Active in civic affairs as well as a local educator, Briggs became acquainted with Bowers when he worked on a local newspaper.

From the correspondence, one would gather they shared the same opinions about local government officials and conditions here.

In the letter dated Jan. 14, Bowers begins with "the amazing thing is that you managed so long to hold your own in the bear pit. If we ever recognize the Soviet Republic, I shall insist on your special qualifications for the Ambassadorship, for no one but a diplomat of infinite finess could possibly have done what you have done in Terre Haute and live..."

Bowers wrote, "I noticed recently in a Rockville paper that the old City Hall of both blessed and hateful memories has been condemned and that something in the nature of a palace is to be erected in its stead. I shall hate to see the old building go. Things have changed mightily since the old days when we sat about the table with Pat Walsh smoking the Pittsburgh stogies and signing vouchers, but I recall them as among the happiest because they were the most care free days of my life. But how things have changed in the Hut. There is no John Lamb today, and on your side no Riley McKeen, and from

all indications the town has been given over to the domination of the minnows. Even so, despite its bad features, I have a very real affection for the town which was pretty good to me."

"We are living here very comfortably," Bowers said, "with a large apartment on Riverside Drive near Grant's Tomb. I can look out the windows and convince myself, despite the fact that business is but two blocks east, that I am a country gentleman. For I see nothing but park ground, trees, the Hudson, the Jersey hills, new snow capped, beyond, and not a house of any sort."

Mentioning his daughter, Bowers wrote, "Patty is in a private school because the public schools here are madhouses—crowded and at present impossible. She is nine, and is doing well. In literature she is far advanced, being in the sixth grade there. This winter they have read the entire 'Courtship of Miles Standish' and 'Evangeline,' and they are now taking up 'The Merchant of Venice.' In French, which she continues through the summer, she is in the 7th grade. In history and geography she is good, and in arithmetic she is where she would be expected to be in the 4th grade—and that is her one struggle. Write me the news... Regards to Mrs. B and the kids..."

In May, 1925, Bowers wrote again to Briggs, urging him to send him the news from Terre Haute. "For Heaven's sake," he wrote, "send me some of the gossip. Who was nominated for Mayor? Donn? What has become of that delectable creature of sweetness and light?"

Bowers told of sending off the manuscript for his new book, "Jefferson and Hamilton: The Struggle for Democracy in America."

He spoke of a bibliography of probably 500 volumes, footnote citations of authority of more than 9000 words, and the whole manuscript about 25,000 words longer than his former book, "Party Battles of the Jackson Period."

Bowers explained, "While terribly grueling, it was fascinating to turn page by page for the 10 years period of 1789 to 1800 the leading newspapers, 15 in all, of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, New Haven, Hartford, Providence, Vermont, Baltimore, Portsmouth and Charleston. I found a wealth of fascinating new material. I am no longer bowing with reverence before these professorial historians. I think most of them have been damn lazy and slip shod. They have wanted to know what the papers said about the Jay treaty, and they have turned to the date in the papers and thus read two or three papers out of the year, and in between a wealth of important material utterly untouched. It would have meant work to have read all the pages."

Bowers ended this letter with "send me a budget of news, political and personal gossip, even scandal if you can bring yourself to it, and give my regards to Mrs. Briggs."

Eight days later, Bowers wrote again to Briggs. "...your letter was a delight. Just what I wanted. Of course, under the conditions as you depict them, Armstrong will be the next Mayor. I have understood all along that the Davis regime was everything but a brilliant success, and I can imagine the kind of "reform" administration it is. In charge of the kind of "reformers" with whom we became so intimately acquainted in the times of poor Rosy Lyons."

Changing the subject, Bowers commented, "am immensely interested to know that Tim is out of the newspaper game. Is the new man the George Padgett who used to be on the paper in my time and later went to Indianapolis? Tip me off. I want to write him a note if this is the man."

Commenting on his new book, Bowers stated the announcement would appear in the "Hut" papers some time that summer. Publication was not until the middle of October.

Bowers complimented Briggs by telling him, "You have written yourself indelibly into the educational history of the town, but you have had to fight, and that always means making sore spots on some damn rascals hide..."

After comments on mutual friends (and enemies), Bowers wrote, "Your chatty letter was a lifesaver. Made me want to hurry back and get a jig and ride with you up to Maple Avenue to see if Donn was putting in the corners according to specifications."

Correspondence from half a century back in time is yet another of the ways to learn local history. This writer is always interested in hearing from readers with old letters, diaries, journals and other such memorabilia.

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DO NOT CIRCULATE

Death has taken from us Mr. Herbert Briggs. Mr. Briggs was one of the founders of the Vigo County Historical Society and a charter member thereof, and was for many years one of the directors and officers, and took a very active part in all of its activities.

Mr. Briggs was for many years connected with the public schools of Terre Haute as a teacher and as a principal of one of the ward schools, his last connection being head of the distribution service of the schools.

Mr. Briggs was very active in the work of distributing and teaching local history in the public schools of Indiana, and it was through his efforts that the movement was started in Indiana, and largely through his efforts that the teaching of Indiana history was made a part of the curriculum by the State Board of Education of Indiana, and his interest and activity in the history of this community and the education of others in the subject of local history has had a far reaching effect on the schools of the entire state of Indiana. His efforts along this line has been unequalled by any other individual in the State.

Mr. Briggs also took an active part in political and governmental affairs of Terre Haute.

Therefore be it resolved by the Vigo County Historical Society, that by the passing of Mr. Herbert Briggs, this Society has lost a valued friend and member, and the Community has ~~lost~~ ^{suffered} an irreparable loss in the cause of local history.

That this Society offer to the family of Mr. Briggs its sincere sympathy, and

Resolved further that a copy of this resolution be copied on the minutes of this Society and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

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DOOMSDAY BOOK

Doomsday Book was the name given to the results of a survey ordered by Wm the Conq. and completed about 1085, and is contained in two volumes, one in folio and the other in quarto, written in a hand and couched in language which none but practiced scholars can decipher and translate. It is written in what is called Mediaeval Latin greatly abbreviated and with a sprinkling of Saxon throughout. The object of the survey was to ascertain the names of the various holders of land throughout the kingdom, and the amount of their possessions, with a view to future taxation, or to claiming certain services to the crown; and it was for a very long time the basis of such assessments or taxation.

The name Doomsday was given to it by the Saxons themselves, because they regarded it as their book of doom from which judgement was to be given as to the value, tenure, and service of the lands therein described. It is the oldest public record in England, and is carefully ~~protected~~ preserved in the custody of the Master of the Rolls, but has now no other value than that of an antiquarian curiosity, and as being the means of tracing certain families, now very few in number, to a Saxon origin.

Taken from Wentworth Genealogy -- Note on p. 5-6.